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Births.

BROWN.—December 5, at her residence, Mincmetta, Bowarrina, the wife of W. C. Brown (Post-office), of a daughter.

BRYANT.—December 29, at her residence, Wallasey, Park-road, Norwood Park, Marrickville, the wife of Alick W. A. Bryant, of a son.

ENGISCH.—January 2, 1899, at her residence, 70 Kingstreet, Newtown, the wife of Geo. Engisch, of a daughter.

FOX.—Christmas Day, at her residence, View-street, Woollahra, the wife of Arthur W. Fox, of a daughter.

GLANVILLE.—December 28, 1898, at her residence, 80 Yule-street, Petersham, the wife of George J. Glanville, of a son.

HARPER.—January 1, 1899, at her residence, Florence-street, St. Peters, the wife of Hamilton Harper, of a son.

HOLLINGDALE.—January 5, at her residence, Moilera, Lucas-road, Burwood, the wife of E. J. Hollingdale, of a daughter.

JACKSON.—December 31, at her mother's residence, 13 Roslyn-street, Darlinghurst, the wife of A. B. Jackson, Union Bank, Parkes, of a son.

LUMSDAINE.—December 30, at Hunter's Hill, the wife of E. Sandys Lumsdaine, of a daughter.

M'HAFFIE.—December 25, at 44 Chaucer-street, Moores Point, the wife of D. J. W. M'Haffie—a son.

ROBERTS.—Christmas Day, at her residence, 22 Campbell-street, Milson's Point, the wife of C. W. Roberts, of daughter.

BOURKE.—November 19, 1898, at her residence, Meroo, Beresford-street, Homebush, the wife of B. Bourke, of a son.

WALDRON.—December 31, 1898, at her residence, Jamison Cottage, Penrith, the wife of E. K. Waldron, of a daughter.

WHOMSLEY.—January 3, 1899, at her residence, 60 Fitzroy-street, Moore Park, wife of Arthur John Whomsley, of a daughter (stillborn).

YOUNG.—November 29, 1898, at No. 14 Cleveland-street, Sydney, N.S.W., the wife of David F. Young, of a daughter.

Marriages.

BARRACK—FENTON.—December 5, 1898, at the residence of the bride's parents, Nakama, Savu Savu Bay, Vanualevu, Fiji, by the Rev. J. Bathgate, Wesleyan minister, William James, youngest son of the late Captain Alex. Barrack, to Maud Sophonisba, youngest daughter of Thomas Fenton, Esq.

COFFEY—EYERARD.—December 24, 1898, at Marrickville House, Sydney, by the Rev. G. Preston, George Patrick Coffey, to Alice Ann, third daughter of the late William Byron Eyerard, Pine Villa, Wolwa, Victoria, and grand-daughter of Mrs. Pike, accumbarne, 50 Stanley-street, Hyde Park.

FITZPATRICK—PARKER.—December 26, 1898, at Ballarat, Victoria, by the Rev. J. Wade, James, eldest son of David Fitzpatrick, Esq., J.P., of Fallarat (Vic.), to Rose (Cis), second daughter of Eugene Henry Parker, Esq., of Ballarat (S. S. Wales).

FULFORD—TURNER.—December 21, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. Dr. Cosh, Charles Edward, youngest son of John H. Fulford, Brockville, Canada, to Beatrice Alice (Trixie), youngest daughter of Edward Turner, Sunnymede, Smails Bay, Balmain.

HADLEY—DERELLE.—October 26, 1898, at Pitt-street Congregational Church, by the Rev. F. Tremayne Dunstan, Henry Hall, third son of F. A. Hedley, of Cotham, Bristol, England, to Florence, eldest daughter of the late Edward Brooke Derelle, of Petersham.

LEONARD—ROBERTS.—December 6, 1898, at St. Paul's C.E., Redfern, by the Rev. F. B. Boyce, Thomas, only son of James Leonard, of Surry Hills, to Mary Ellen, second daughter of Eliza Jane, and the late Philip Elton, second daughter of Eliza Jane, and the late Philip Elton, second daughter of Eliza Jane, and the late Philip Elton

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TO MELBOURNE.

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Passengers from the Western Line at Dubbo, Forbes, Linden, and Rylstone will also be booked at the Sydney rate, and must travel via Blayney, joining the special train at Harden; but passengers from west of Dubbo and Rylstone will be booked at the Holiday Excursion fare to Dubbo or Rylstone, at the same time paying the Sydney fare and travel via Blayney. Passengers from stations between Linden and Sydney and from stations on the Northern Line will be charged the Holiday Excursion fare to Sydney plus the Cheap Excursion fare Sydney to Melbourne.

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TICKETS at the undermentioned CHEAP RATES will be issued (at Sydney only) by the Mail Train leaving Sydney at 9 p.m. on MONDAY, 9th January, 1899, available for return by trains reaching Sydney up to FRIDAY MORNING, 17th February, inclusive (Express Trains excepted), or by the 7.10 p.m. train from Broken Hill on 14th February, the 8.10 p.m. Special from Adelaide on 15th February, and the 10 p.m. Special from Melbourne on 16th February, reaching Sydney at 6.45 p.m. on Friday, 17th February.

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By order of the Commissioners.
H. McLACHLAN, Secretary.

GOVERNMENT TRAMWAYS.
INTERCOLONIAL CRICKET MATCH,
N.S. WALES v. S. AUSTRALIA.
SATURDAY and MONDAY, 7th and 9th JANUARY.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicil of JAMES M'MAHON, late of North Richmond, in the colony of New South Wales, farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Codicil of the said deceased may be granted to MICHAEL M'MAHON and MATTHEW NEWLAND, the Executors named in the said Codicil to the said Will. EDWARD CAMPBELL, Proctor for the Executors, Richmond. By HUGHES and HUGHES, the Agents, 26 Hunter-street, Sydney.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ROBERT DAVID ALEXANDER STUART, late of Burrowa, in the colony of New South Wales, Commissioner, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the said deceased may be granted to CHARLES HENRY STUART, a brother, and one of the next of kin of the said deceased. CHARLES HENRY STUART, Applicant, Burrowa.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of HENRY GLOSSOP HEMPSON, late of West Worthing, in England, Retired Commander, Royal Navy, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that an Exemplification of the Probate granted in England in respect of the above Estate may be sealed with the Seal of the Court. METCALFE and DANGAR, Proctors, 19 Bligh-street, Sydney.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS UNDER WILLS, PROBATE AND ADMINISTRATION ACT, 1898.—In the Will of ANTON STEINHEIMER, late of Farnworth, in the colony of New South Wales, Freeholder, deceased.—*NOTICE* is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any debt or claim upon or affecting the estate of ANTON STEINHEIMER, the abovenamed deceased, who died on or about the twenty-ninth day of August, 1898, and Probate of whose Will was granted by the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its Probate Jurisdiction on the twenty-first day of October, 1898, to GEORGE ARTHUR GILBERT, of Farnworth aforesaid, Cashbuilder, JOHN POMROY, of Tamworth aforesaid, ruttery, and GEORGE SPURIN BROWN, of Tamworth aforesaid, Draper, the Executors named in the said Will, are hereby required to send in particulars of their claims to the undersigned, Messrs. CREAGH and KENNEDY, Proctors for the said Executors, on or before the thirteenth day of February next, at the expiration of which time the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the debts and claims only of which they shall then have had notice, and the said Executors will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose debt or claim they shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution. Dated this 3rd day of January, 1899. CREAGH and KENNEDY, Proctors for the said Executors, Central-chambers, Peel-street, Tamworth.

Public Notices.

NEW SOUTH WALES COURT, GREATER BRITAIN EXHIBITION, East's Court, London, 1899.

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Intending Exhibitors at the above are hereby respectfully notified that owing to the Legislative Assembly having refused the necessary supplies for the representation of the colony, the Government has instructed the Committee to wind up their affairs, and to intimate to Exhibitors that the matter will not be further proceeded with.

ALEX. CUMMING,
(9c7) Secretary New South Wales Committee.

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ROBERT B. CAMERON,
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CURRENT LITERATURE.

DALE, OF BIRMINGHAM.

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Early in his life, in 1861, when he was only 32, Dr. Dale was asked by the committee of the Colonial Missionary Society to accept a pastorate in Melbourne, offered by leading Congregationalists. The visit of Mr. Binney, "the Congregationalist patriarch," as Dr. Dale somewhere calls him, had stirred up the enthusiasm of members of his denomination in Australia, and it was sought to follow up that success by the importation of a strong man. Dale was sorely tempted to accept the invitation. Not only was he moved by a sense of the great possibilities in front of religious teachers in a new country, but he had a feeling that some of the members of the Carr's Lane Church, to the sole pastorate of which he had succeeded two or three years before, on the death of James Angell James, would be glad if he went away. The invitation was made known to the congregation, when it was seen that the dissatisfied members were few in number and small in influence. The result was that Dale remained for the rest of his life pastor of the church, thus fulfilling the hope expressed by James in his eloquent charge on Dale's ordination: "As it was in my case, so may it be in yours, and this church be your first, your last, your only love." Long years afterwards, however, Dale did visit Australia, and the memory of that visit is fresh still, though more than a decade has intervened. It is worth while to recall, in view of recent sweeping assertions, what Dr. Dale had to say about religious life in Australia. "When I was in Victoria," he writes, "at the close of 1887—after the secular system had been in existence for fourteen years—the dark waters which for a time threatened to submerge the faith of its people had sunk. . . . In New South Wales I found such a deep and vigorous religious life—such earnestness, generosity, and zeal—that, though a very large number of the people have been lost to the churches, I cannot but believe that before very long they will be recovered." It would be interesting to know what Dr. Dale would have said about the attack on Australians recently made by Bishop Thornton, himself an old Birmingham friend.

Late in life Dale began to think that his "vocation, if indeed I have one, requires an abstention from the actual conflict of political life." Fortunately for his fellow-citizens he did not think so in the days when it behoved every true man to be up and doing whatever he could in the interests of the municipal, educational, and political life of the country. He took his part bravely in the municipal life of Birmingham, fighting side by side with Chamberlain and as well known on the public platform as any man in the town. Curiously enough, the man who declined to contest a seat in Parliament because it would interfere with his pastoral duties, was annoyed to find himself excluded from membership of the Town Council. But he exercised abundant influence from the outside and always for the best. What his fellow-citizens thought of Dale as a politician may be gathered from the remark of a London newspaper at the close of the 1874 election:—"Mr. R. W. Dale has nominated Mr. Chamberlain, and the will of Mr. Dale is the will of Birmingham." The present Colonial Secretary did not deny the soft impeachment:—"I have seen a statement," said Mr. Chamberlain at a public meeting, "that I go to Parliament as the representative of Mr. Dale. Well, if that be so, there is not a member of the House of Commons who will have a better, wiser, or nobler constituency. But you will at least remember this: That if Mr. Dale has any influence over the 50,000 electors of Birmingham, he owes it to his devotion to their highest interests, he owes it to his eloquent and outspoken advocacy of all that is good and great." Educationally Dr. Dale will be chiefly remembered as one of the leaders of the Nonconformist revolt against Mr. Forster's Education Act, and as the man who was mainly responsible for the removal of Spring Hill College to Oxford, where it is known and flourishes now as Mansfield College. He was besides an active member of the Birmingham School Board and, later, of the Royal Commission on Elementary Education. He was strongly in favour of the admission of the Bible into schools, not as containing a divine rule of life but as a great English classic. A man, he thought, who did not know his Bible was imperfectly educated. In this connection he used to tell the story of what took place after Bright's "Cave of Adullam" speech; how, as the House was breaking up, one member said to another, "Where did he get that illustration from?" "Oh," said the other, "from the 'Arabian Nights.'" "Ah," said the first, "I remember now." Dale thoroughly enjoyed his work on the Royal Commission, where he naturally made his presence felt. "We had a long discussion," he writes in one place, "on proposals for the guidance of our inquiry. Mine were accepted without any objection. Cardinal Manning is becoming more insinuating and gracious than ever. I was talking to Canon Gregory, and he came up to us and said: 'Now we must find out some scheme under which all our schools can work freely; if we three could agree on any scheme we should settle the whole question.' He then looked at me and said, 'You must help us to agreement.' I laughed, and said, 'Your Eminence seems to think that you and Canon Gregory need the help; I will do what I can.' The old man seemed amused." Is not the story characteristic of Manning?

Space forbids any further enlargement on this record of an eventful and influential life. Dale as a brilliant theological pugilist—to use Matthew Arnold's description—Dale as a politician, as a municipal reformer, as an enthusiastic educationalist—in all his capacities he is worth studying, and this book contains all the necessary material. It is supplemented by interesting chapters by Principal Fairbairn and Dr. Guinness Rogers on "Dale's Position as a Theologian" and "Reminiscences of Dr. Dale" respectively.

SOME LOST LETTERS OF ELIA.

"Charles Lamb and the Lloyds." Edited by E. V. Lucas. London: Smith, Elder, and Co. 1898.

"What is one to say of the man," wrote a writer in "St. James's Gazette" last year, "who might have gone on receiving the most perfect little essays of Elia by post all for his sole self and lightly threw away the privilege?" It was to Robert Lloyd that were addressed the letters on Izaak Walton, Jeremy Taylor, and London, published in "Cornhill" in May and June last, and it is of him that the complaint is made that for four years after his marriage he discontinued a correspondence with Lamb which called forth letters like these. "He married a mere mortal wife, and therefore he could not write!" The newspaper Rhadamanthus says that clearly the grace was not given this Robert Lloyd to appreciate at its real worth his rare privilege in being Charles Lamb's correspondent. Now, this Robert Lloyd was a member of the family of Charles Lloyd, a Quaker philanthropist and banker of Birmingham, who died in 1828. Four years ago a mass of correspondence relating to that family was discovered, containing 20 new letters of Lamb, and some of Coleridge, Wordsworth, Southey, and others. Mr. Lucas in this volume picks out a sort of family history of the Lloyds from this correspondence, particularly in relation to Lamb; and though the Lloyds may not much interest the reader their relations with Lamb will hardly fail to do so. For this reason, as may be expected, the interest of the book, if lively, is fragmentary. It continually gives us glimpses of men whose names are famous in literature, in the dressing-gown and slippers of private correspondence. Here is Coleridge admitting to a correspondent the perpetration of such an obvious bull, for instance, as that in a sonnet to Schiller—"That hour I would have wished to die—Lest aught more mean might stamp me mortal," which, he says, never struck him until one of the Lloyds mentioned it. Then we have a curious instance of Coleridge's phrase-mongering in a letter to Lloyd, senior, in which he says "I have snapped my baby-trumpet of sedition, and have hung up its fragments in the chamber of penitence." He must have liked the trope, for we find him using it with a careful amendment 16 months later in another letter, but instead of hanging up the fragments this time he leaves them lying "scattered in the lumber-room of penitence." It was just a hundred years ago that Lamb began his correspondence with Robert Lloyd, and one is almost stricken aghast at the solemnly didactic tone of Elia's letters to his young friend at this time, with their portentous italics and capital letters. Robert seems to have been a young gentleman of a pessimistic turn. His complaint that "this world seems drain'd of its sweets" brought, however, this remonstrance more characteristic of the later Lamb:—

Oh, Robert, I don't know what you call sweet. Honey and the honeycomb, roses and violets, are yet on the earth. The sun and moon yet reign in heaven; and the lesser lights keep up their pretty twinklings. Meats and drinks, sweet sights and sweet smells, a country walk, spring and autumn, follies and repentance, quarrels and reconciliations, have all a sweetness by turns. Good humour and good nature, friends at home that love you and friends abroad that miss you—you possess all these things, and more innumerably, and these are all sweet things. . . . You may extract honey from everything; do not go a-gathering after gall.

It is more cheery to find Lamb in another letter speaking of his friend drinking in the century with a welcome in his company, in a gift of porter which he had sent,—"a beverage I most admire," says Lamb, and one "which warms without intoxication." Here, too, are the letter about Izaak Walton already referred to, and this reference to London quite in the Elia vein:—

Let them talk of lakes and mountains and romantic dales—all that fantastic stuff; give me a ramble by night, in the winter nights in London—the lamplit Strand—the pavements of the motley Strand crowded with to and fro passengers—the shops all brilliant, and stuffed with obliging customers and obliged tradesmen—give me the old bookstalls of London—a walk in the bright piazzas of Covent Garden. I defy a man to be dull in such places—perfect Mahometan paradises upon earth. I have lent out my heart with usury to such scenes from my childhood up, and have cried with fulness of joy at the multitudinous sources of life in the crowded streets of ever dear London.

But Lamb was ever a London-worshipper, as much as ever Johnson was. He liked the sights and sounds of its streets by day and night, and nothing that belonged to it was in his sight common or mean. His large sympathy with humanity and his catholic observant mind took in everything that went to make up the microcosmic world about him. He had little patience with the taste that preferred the charm of the country. "A mob of men is better than a flock of sheep," we find him writing in one of these unvalued letters, "and a crowd of happy faces jostling into the playhouse at the hour of six is a more beautiful spectacle to man than the sheep-herd driving his 'silly' sheep to fold." He speaks deprecatingly of his "low Urban Taste," but he is proud of it all the same, and his apology is characteristic of him. "Depend upon it that a man of any feeling will have given his heart and his love both in childhood and in boyhood to any scenes where he has been bred, as well to dirty streets (and smoky walls as they are called) as to green lanes 'where live nibbling sheep,' and to the everlasting hills and lakes and ocean." There is a letter here, with its mention of streets, markets, theatres, sparkling shops, neat sempstresses, drowsy cries of watchmen, bucks reeling home, midnight alarms of fire and theft, and old books on the bookstalls, that might have fathered the whole race of special descriptive article writers for the modern newspaper. It is "Twice Round the Clock" in vivid miniature and without padding. "The wonder of these sights," wrote Lamb to Wordsworth in a well-known passage in the beginning of 1801, "impels me into night walks about her crowded streets, and I often shed tears of joy in the motley Strand from fulness of joy at so much life." There is a good deal in this new correspondence that reveals the familiar Elia. The letter about Jeremy Taylor has, for instance, a passage about the flatness of selected extracts from "Holy Dying." "Compare the grand effect of the Star-paved firmament," writes Lamb to his friend, "and imagine a boy capable of picking out those pretty twinklers one by one and playing at chuck-farthing with them." And again, there is a running criticism on a kind of subject that Lamb liked, the "Richard III." of George Frederick Cooke at Covent Garden; and a reference to certain old playwrights like Otway, Lee, and Rowe; the quiet dignity of old bachelorhood; and many other things which would take too much space to touch upon. But the reader and lover of Elia will find here much to interest him, both because it is characteristic and because it is new.

MR. ARTHUR PATERSON AS A STORY-WRITER.

The scene of Mr. Arthur Paterson's novel, "The Gospel Writ in Steel," forwarded to us by Messrs. Angus and Robertson, is laid in the United States of America in the early days of the Civil War. The author has carefully studied the incidents of the war, so far as they are concerned with the plot of his story, and the characters of some of the historical personages of the day, such as Abraham Lincoln and General Sherman ("Uncle Billy"), are drawn true to scale. At first blush one does not quite see the relevance of the title to the story. Here we have a man, who is a born military genius as well as an ardent patriot, elected by his fellow-townsmen in all the enthusiasm engendered by the outbreak of the war to lead the local contingent of volunteers. He refuses the offered position, though he is well assured that his friends, especially the girl whom he loves, will adjudge him a coward. The motive, however, is a very creditable one, even if it is not very probable, the excitement of the times considered. He is the only son of his mother, and she is a widow. He feels convinced that if he leaves her she will promptly die. That is all very well. He stays at home, and his mother does not die. Meanwhile his rival goes bravely to the war, carrying with him the promise of our hero's love to be his wife. But in the process of time the rival is taken prisoner, and the hero starts off on a Quixotic enterprise to rescue him from his Southern prison. The hero's mother is by this time, of course, a little older, and, therefore, in the ordinary course of things more liable to die. Still, he leaves her with much confidence, because the girl with whom he is still in love, but who has promised to be the other man's wife, will look after her. An ordinary person would have supposed that the mother might safely have been left in the same guardianship a couple of years earlier, when the girl would have been our hero's affianced wife instead of his rival's. But that is only a beginning of the improbabilities. Our hero has wonderful adventures. The President takes to him at once and treats him like a father. General Sherman is much struck with this raw recruit, who cheerfully gives him advice on points of strategy and tactics, and is in the habit of going about sticking pins in maps of the country. He performs great deeds, and invariably when he is cornered—as he constantly is—something unexpected happens, so that he at last returns triumphant to his mother, who, one is glad to know, is still alive. All this does not read very convincingly, but, if you accept the improbabilities, the story goes along after an interesting fashion. The hero himself is an eminently likeable man—not a bit of a prig, though he has hobnobbed with a president and a general. The heroine is hardly worth the trouble either the hero or the rival takes about her, and the minor characters are an unconvincing crowd. Mr. Paterson will probably do better with his next book—especially if this should have an Australian subject. Would not a novel dealing with Australian social life be more in his line?

BISMARCK ON HIMSELF.

What Bismarck was to his valet was shown in Dr. Busch's work, lately reviewed in these columns: by no means a hero of romance. What Bismarck was to himself, and what he would like the world to believe him to have been, appears in "Bismarck: The Man and the Statesman: Being the Reflections and Reminiscences of Otto Prince von Bismarck. Written and dictated by himself after his retirement from office. Translated from the German under the supervision of A. J. Butler, late Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, with two portraits and a fac-simile of handwriting. In two volumes." (London: Smith, Elder, and Co.) In these handsome tomes Bismarck represents himself as an astute and courtly diplomatist when these qualities were required, and as the man of blood and iron when occasion demanded. The narration of a great man's life by himself is bound to be of thrilling interest when the great man is of Bismarck's stamp. And here we have his whole life as he wanted it to be known, as he imagined it to be, from the time that he left school in 1832—"a Pantheist, and, if not a Republican, at least with the persuasion that the republic was the most rational form of government"—all through the time that he was the strongest supporter in the world of the theory of the right divine of kings (Prussian kings, bien entendu) to govern right or wrong.

One notices all through a strong prejudice against England, against France, and against what he pleasantly calls "government by harem." The wife of the first German Emperor hated him, and opposed him all through her life—whether as Princess of Prussia, Queen of Prussia, or the Empress Augusta. His very first interview with her, 50 years ago, was a failure. She had been brought up—even in Weimar, one of the holy places of German literature, sacred to the memory of Goethe and of Schiller—to regard a Frenchman and his opinion as preferable to a German and his, whilst London was the supreme court of taste. She was an anti-Russian because Russia was anti-French and anti-British, and her influence over her husband was so great that Bismarck often found it very hard to have his own way. From his earliest days Bismarck hated France. "The possession of Strasburg by France," he writes of his early days, "exasperated me." Strange irony of fate that in 1848, when Berlin was in tumult, he ran risk of his life by reason of some youngster calling out at him in the streets, "Look, there goes another Frenchy." Bismarck's feelings towards England were seriously affected by the opposition to his plans of the Prince Consort, of the Empress Augusta, and of the Empress Frederick. In 1857 he could write: "So far as concerns foreign countries, I have throughout my life had a sympathy for England only and her inhabitants, and I am, in certain hours, not yet free from it; but the people there will not let us love them, and as soon as it were proved to me that it was in the interest of a sound and well-thought-out Prussian policy I would, with the same satisfaction, see our troops fire on French, Russians, English, or Austrians." He certainly dissembled his love towards England. The Prince Consort, who was a German, not an Englishman, is described with sufficient venom. The Queen, however, gets off more easily. At a ball in Versailles, in 1855, "Queen Victoria," he writes, "spoke to me in German. She gave me the impression of beholding in me a noteworthy but unsympathetic personality, but still her tone of voice was without that touch of ironical superiority that I thought I detected in Prince Albert's. She continued to be amiable and courteous, like one unwilling to treat an eccentric fellow in an unfriendly way."

Of the Emperor William Bismarck took the accurate measure at a very early stage of their connection. He wrote of him when he was Prince of Prussia that "if you had once gained the Prince's confidence, and stood well in his favour, you might speak straight out to him—even be violent." And Bismarck certainly used to the full his knowledge of his master's character. When William wanted to abdicate in 1862 Bismarck made him think better of his plan. Later in the same year occurred the famous scene in the Juterbogk railway station, when the despondent monarch broke in on his Minister's official report with the cheerful observation: "I can perfectly well see where all this will end. Over there, in front of the Opera House, under my windows, they will cut off your head, and mine a little while afterwards." Bismarck goes on: "I guessed, and it was afterwards confirmed by witnesses, that during his week's stay at Baden (where the Queen was then living) his mind had been worked upon with variations on the theme of Poltigraz, Strafford, and Louis XVI. When he was silent I answered with the short remark, 'Et apres, Sire?' 'Apres, indeed: we shall be dead,' answered the King. 'Yes,' I continued, 'then we shall be dead; but we must all die sooner or later, and can we perish more honourably? I, fighting for my King's cause, and your Majesty sealing with your own blood your rights as King by the grace of God; whether on the scaffold or the battlefield makes no difference to the glory of sacrificing life and limb for the rights assigned to you by the grace of God. Your Majesty must not think of Louis XVI., he lived and died in a condition of mental weakness, and does not present a heroic figure in history. Charles I., on the other hand, will always remain a noble historical character, for after drawing his sword for his rights and losing the battle, he did not hesitate to confirm his royal intent with his blood. Your Majesty is bound to fight, you cannot capitulate; you must, even at the risk of bodily danger, go forth to meet any attempt at coercion.'" Bismarck knew his man. He appealed to him sometimes in this strain, at other times by threats of resignation. The King always yielded in the end. Sometimes he sulked for days, as at the time Bismarck had him crowned German Emperor, not Emperor of Germany; but his Chancellor did not trouble himself about that. He always had his way in the long run with "the Monarch whom I designate specifically my master."

It would appear from these volumes that it is a mistake to suppose that the Emperor Frederick was ever a persona non grata to Bismarck. "All assertions of lasting discord in our relations are," says the Chancellor, "unfounded." There was indeed a little discord between them—and not unnaturally if Bismarck's account is wholly correct—when Frederick, then Crown Prince, took occasion at his official reception by the citizens of Dantzig, to criticise adversely a new royal ordinance founded on a Ministerial report. The Crown Prince was severely reprimanded for this by the Chancellor through the King. But his was not a malicious nature, though he must have known that Bismarck stood at nothing to belittle the Crown Princess through the reptile press. When the King strenuously resisted Bismarck's advice to dictate easy terms of peace to Austria, it was the Crown Prince who acted as medium. "He then repaired to the King," writes Bismarck, "and came back after a short half-hour in the same calm friendly mood, but with the words: 'It has been a very difficult business, but my father has consented.' This consent found expression in a note written with lead pencil on the margin of one of my last memoranda, something to this effect: 'Inasmuch as my Minister-President has left me in the lurch in the face of the enemy, and here I am not in a position to supply his place, I have discussed the question with my son, and as he has associated himself with the Minister-President's opinion, I find myself reluctantly compelled, after such brilliant victories on the part of the army, to bite this sour apple and accept so disgraceful a peace.'" Bismarck, of course, shared little how angrily and grudgingly consent to his proposal was given so long as it was given.

All through his life Bismarck had his eyes open for everything that was going on near him. The result is that these volumes form a most valuable contribution to the history of the latter part of this century, with a natural bias towards Prussian and German interests. The interest is of a different kind from that aroused by Dr. Busch's book, but it is very real for all that; the more so, perhaps—such is poor human nature—that it is agreeably interspersed with personal reminiscences of famous men and women.

SIR FRANK LOCKWOOD'S SKETCHES.

The late Sir Frank Lockwood attached very small value to his sketches. He sketched just as the spirit moved him, and anybody who came along—if it was only the person who swept the court out—was welcome to the result. Other people, however, held a higher and more legitimate estimate of the value of these sketches, and they took pains to collect whatever specimens came in their way. Amongst these were the Prince of Wales, Lord Rosebery, Sir Richard Webster, Sir Wilfrid Lawson, and many other leaders in the social and political worlds. It is mainly owing to this that Mr. Edward Arnold is able to publish such a very amusing and interesting volume as "The Frank Lockwood Sketch Book." The naturally ephemeral nature of the sketches contained herein is set off by the intrinsic interest of the persons and things treated. Thus two of the great causes célèbres of this generation—the Tichborne trial and the Parnell Commission—seem more vivid to the reader when he has by him pictures from the life of some of the great men who took part in one or other of them. Lord Coleridge was a favourite subject of Lockwood's. He presents the late Lord Chief Justice in all sorts of attitudes, doing all sorts of things. Eminent men on the Bench and at the Bar and in Parliament are grotesquely but good-humouredly caricatured. There is an amusing picture of Mr. Birrell, the author of "Obiter Dicta"—whose life of Lockwood was recently reviewed in these columns—hunting round eagerly for Professor Jowett, who had referred to "a very pretty work called 'Obiter Dicta,' written, I believe, by a lady at Clifton." The spontaneous brightness and readiness of Lockwood's method is admirably illustrated in his reply to a friend's request to reproduce a lost sketch—for which one must refer to the book itself. Altogether, an interesting series of side-lights on a busy life in Parliament and the law courts.

SHAKESPEARE AT DUNEDIN.

The number of Shakespeare societies in Australia is limited, and though the opinion held about literary societies is not invariably one of respect—did not Browning smile with ironical meaning at the Browning Societies?—we can wish success to any well-meant endeavour to study Shakespeare. There is a Shakespeare Club in Dunedin, to which the president, Mr. A. Wilson, M.A., rector of the Otago Boys' High School, Dunedin, delivered a score of little addresses about the dramas and the dramatist. These, collected into a handsome volume, published by Messrs. Whitcombe and Tombs, make a presentable book. For the author is a man of penetration, humour, and reading, and these little papers contain much good reading. "Short Studies in Shakespeare," as are they called, are creditable to the literary taste of their author, and of the circle for which they were written, and as a welcome addition to the small shelf of Australian Shakespeareana they may perhaps stimulate interest and study of the universal poet.

THE DEBATER AT LARGE.

In its way Mr. Laurence Gibson's little "Handbook for Literary and Debating Societies" (Hodder and Stoughton) is a useful book. The introductory section, which deals with the conduct of a public meeting, is brief and authoritative, but the larger part, nearly the whole of the book, is occupied with a series of arguments in succinct form for and against a large number of propositions which are now often in discussion seriously in Parliament and the press as well as experimentally in literary societies. Persons preparing to take part in the debates of these societies are left to their own devices in getting up their cases; some handbooks there are, like "Pros and Cons" or Buxton's Guide, but the majority of would-be speakers have to do their own "devilling." To these aspirants Mr. Gibson's manual should be welcome; it is interesting, varied in subject, candid in list of authorities, and brief in recapitulation.

THE STUDY OF THE BIBLE.

Professor Sayce is one of the very greatest living authorities on Assyriology, and his new volume, "Israel and the Surrounding Nations," which we have from Messrs. Angus and Robertson, will be found deeply interesting by students of the Bible. In a book of modest size Professor Sayce makes available the most recent discoveries in Eastern monuments for enlightening the darkness of Israelitish origins. Two points he brings out in this review, one the overwhelming positive influence of Babylonian thought and practice on Israel, and the rejection of Egyptian influence; he shows that the Egyptian doctrine of future life was designedly slurred by the lawgiver of Israel lest it might strengthen an Egyptian relapse of his countrymen. The next is the immense age of culture in the East, behind which no barbaric ascent is to be traced.

Quite a different piece of Biblical interpretation is undertaken by the learned Professor of Humanity in Aberdeen. ("Was Christ born in Bethlehem?" Hodder and Stoughton.) Professor Ramsay is widely known by his excellent studies of the archæology of Asia Minor and his many important discoveries there, which throw light not only on the movement of early Christianity, but on the Roman period. As a kind of test case by which to try the credibility of St. Luke's Gospel he takes the passage in Luke, second chapter, first four verses, which narrates the census of Israel and the journey of Joseph and Mary to Bethlehem. This is a difficult and much-disputed passage, and Professor Ramsay discusses it afresh with much material. He examines the authorities in the approved modern historical spirit, and arrives at the conclusion that the Gospel narrative is trustworthy. To some it will owe its principal interest to the demonstration of Biblical truth; to others it may serve as a good example of the infinitely laborious work of the modern documentary school.

Mr. Meade Falkner, who is the author of a romance of the supernatural, is now to be credited with another sterling book. Which of us is not to be tickled with a brave tale of adventure and quest of treasure-trove? In "Moonfleet" (Mr. Arnold) the author leads us in chase of the treasure of Bluebeard Colonel Mohun, who robbed King Charles by treachery of one of the crown diamonds. What manner of people they were who, beginning as smugglers in a Dorset village, achieve the finding of the Carisbrooke diamond, and take small good thereby, let him who would enjoy a spirited tale read in Mr. Falkner's pages.

MANLY COTTAGE HOSPITAL.

The committee of the Manly Cottage Hospital met on January 5, when Mr. John Woods (president) was in the chair, and there were in attendance Messrs. W. H. Fletcher (hon. secs.), W. H. German (hon. treasurer), Dr. David Thomas (hon. medical officer), Mesdames W. J. Douglass, W. H. Fletcher, W. H. German, S. C. Sadler, W. T. Smellie, J. Woods, Messrs. Owen Carroll, J. Dunean, G. U. Hosking, C. G. Warburton, and H. E. Williams.

A letter was read from the Colonial Secretary intimating that a list of private contributions to the hospital amounting to £216 had been forwarded to the Colonial Treasurer with a view to the payment of £200 pledged by the Government to the hospital, the examiner having deducted £10 contributed by the Hospital Saturday Industrial Fund.

The hon. treasurer reported a credit balance of £237 9s 10d, including the endowments, which gratifying announcement was received with much satisfaction. Accounts for December to the amount of £39 10s 2d were passed for payment.

The matron's report stated that 8 patients had been admitted during the month, 8 had been discharged, 1 had died, and 10 remained. The total of patients treated during 1898 was 132, as against 125 in 1897. The nursing had been heavy during the month, and an extra nurse had been engaged.

ORDER OF ROYAL FORESTERS.

The annual meeting of Court Progress O.R. Foresters was held in the Royal Foresters' Hall on Wednesday, January 4. Bro. M. Hunter presided. The election of officers resulted as under:—Chief Ranger, Bro. H. J. Smith; Sub C.R., Bro. W. J. Bourke; secretary, Bro. J. Coote; treasurer, Bro. A. E. Moyle; S.W., Bro. W. J. Cox; J.W., Bro. J. Salter; I.G., Bro. O. Strong; delegates to Supreme Court, Bros. J. Coote and W. J. Cox; delegate to S.U.F.S.D., Brother T. E. Rofe; auditors, Bros. R. T. Kelly and F. Meddows. The auditors' report showed the financial position of the court to be very satisfactory, the total amount of funds being £668 18s 8d. A vote of thanks was accorded the officers for the efficient manner in which the business had been conducted.

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MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC NOTES.

Writing from Melbourne, Mr. Allan Hamilton, who is managing for Mr. Robert Brough, announces the intention of his principal to produce a new play, "for the first time upon any stage," at the Bijou Theatre after "Madame Sans Gene" has run its course. The new drama is "The Derelict," by Gayer Mackay, and was read and purchased by Mr. Brough during his recent visit to London, where, however, the play has not yet seen the light. Playgoers here have probably noted that the Melbourne Opera House is to be pulled down, the first result of which has been that Mr. Harry Rickards will transplant his permanent variety company to the Bijou. No doubt this has something to do with the approaching removal of the Brough Company to the Princess Theatre. Mr. Brough, who has worked in harmoniously with Mr Williamson on previous occasions in a similar way, will open at the Princess on February 4 with Anthony Hope's new drama, "The Adventures of Lady Ursula," now running in London and New York. In continuance of this forward policy, Hope's costume piece will be followed by two other new plays, "A Bachelor's Romance" and "One Summer's Day." It is a pity the Brough Company cannot appear in two places at once. As it is, Melbourne is getting all the new things. There is already quite a list of them, and Mr. Brough will probably present as many more before he reaches Sydney. "The Liars," "Lord and Lady Algy," "The Happy Life," and "Madame Sans Gene," were all on the London stage during Mr. Brough's quite recent visit to the metropolis. "Madame Sans Gene" is heartily approved of in Melbourne, and on January 2 Mr. Hamilton had to stop the sale of tickets at 7.45 o'clock. The Sydney season will open at the Theatre Royal on Saturday, April 1, with "The Liars."

Miss Muriel Griffiths, of this city, gave her first violin recital at the Salle Erard, London, on November 29. This was by no means the first appearance of the young artist in London, as she had supported Miss Beatrice Griffiths on various occasions, had played frequently as one of "The Australian Trio," (completed by Miss Beeau Griffiths as 'cellist), and had also appeared quite recently at the concert at St. James's Hall of Miss Frances Allitsen. On that occasion, when she filled a gap caused by the illness of Johannes Wolff (under whom she studies), Miss Muriel Griffiths was associated with Misses Margaret M'Intyre, Esther Palliser, Ada Crossley, Mr. E. C. Hedmondt, and other leading singers. At the Salle Erard the young violinist was warmly supported by the heads of the Australian colony, amongst those present being Sir William and Lady Des Vœux, Lady Duff, Mrs. Bowden-Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Hauffmann, Miss Fadith Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Phil May, Mr. and Mrs. W. M'Quade, General Sir Andrew Clarke, R.E., and Miss Clarke, Mrs. Schwartzbaek, Mrs. Skarratt, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Spence, Chevalier de Munck, and Miss Alice Esty. Miss Therese Sievewright was the vocalist, Miss Beatrice Griffiths was the solo pianist, and Mr. G. H. Clutsam was the conductor. Miss Ada Crossley, who was on her way to Derby, where she was singing the same night, sent a humorous telegram of "loving wishes and congratulations to the Maori and the kangaroos." This referred partly to Miss Sievewright, a New Zealand soprano, who has studied under Marchesi in Paris and under Signor Panzani in London, and appears to be making headway on the English concert platform. The London "Globe" wrote of Miss Muriel Griffiths in complimentary terms, as follows:—"The concert-giver, whose first public appearance it was in London, hails from Australia, and is, it is understood, the pupil of M. Johannes Wolff, to whom she does much credit. Her tone is altogether admirable, her technique, so far as it goes at present, well-nigh unimpeachable, and the general impression she created was a decidedly good one. Nevertheless one could not avoid the thought that Miss Griffiths is already capable of even greater things than anything she accomplished yesterday; she played, infact, as if under too great control—a fault, if fault it be, which, of course, will soon wear off with experience. Her solos consisted of Vieuxtemps's "Fantasie Appassionata," a group of pieces (unaccompanied) by Bach and other pieces by Schubert and Sarasate." Altogether the recital was a great success, and the fact will be learned with interest by Sydney concert-goers.

Whilst the Knight-Farrar Company opened their New Zealand tour at Wellington with the "Sign of the Cross" on Boxing Night, Messrs. Williamson and Musgrove's second dramatic company appeared the same evening at the Academy of Music, Ballarat. There the "Prisoner of Zenda" was staged, with a cast entirely different from that seen in Sydney. Miss Emilie Hughes, Miss Vanbrugh, Miss Florence Flavin, Mrs. Maesmore Morris as Antoinette de Maubas, Mr. H. Plumer as Rudolph Rassendyll, Mr. G. P. Carey as Colonel Sapt, and Mr. J. W. Hazlett as Black Michael (and stage manager), were the principals of the cast. In "A Royal Divorce" Mr. J. B. Atholwood was the Napoleon, Miss Hughes the Josephine, and Mrs. Morris the Empress Louise. Quick changes forming the plan of campaign, "The Sign of the Cross" was put up on Tuesday last.

Mr. J. J. Williamson has received an interesting letter from Mr. H. H. Vincent, who stage-managed for the firm in Australia for several years. As an actor he is best remembered here for two very fine impersonations—Colonel Damas in the "Lady of Lyons" and Sir Oliver in the "School for Scandal." Almost ever since his return to England, Mr. Vincent has been stage manager, adviser, and right-hand man to Mr. George Alexander at the St. James' Theatre, London, where from time to time he plays the same kind of parts in which he figured during his residence in Sydney. Mr. Williamson remembers him gratefully as one of the best managers he ever had. Mr. Vincent was a strict disciplinarian, but at the same time he was popular with the artists, his system being a judicious commingling of the sunshine in mode with the fortiter in re.

Old playgoers will regret to hear of the recent death at Adelaide of that sterling actor and vocalist, Mr. Elwin Kelly. He originally came to this country with Kelly and Leon's Minstrels, a combination which had toured England and the United States. Mr. Kelly first appeared as the Admiral in "Pinafore." This comedian is chiefly remembered, however, for the many parts he played with Messrs. Williamson and Musgrove's Royal Comic Opera Company. His Rocco in "La Mascotte" was an excellent impersonation. Altogether he was connected with the Australian stage for some 25 years, and at the time of his death, which ensued after 24 hours' illness during the present Adelaide season of the Myra Kemble Company, he was 69 years of age. Some years ago an old comrade of his, Mr. W. H. Leake, was buried at Adelaide, over whose grave Mr. J. C. Williamson erected a monument. Mr. Williamson has now had this grave opened so that the two friends may sleep side by side, and Mr. Wybert Reeve, actor and author, has added a few appropriate words to the former inscription.

Miss Maggie Moore and Mr. H. B. Roberts, who closed a successful season at Newcastle last night, will leave Sydney this afternoon with their dramatic company for Hobart. They will open in Tasmania on January 11, and after a few appearances will sail for Auckland, where their tour of New Zealand will be of an extended character. Miss Maggie Moore will take with her to play "seconds" Miss Madge Corcoran, and it is understood that the popular young Australian actress will go on with her to Honolulu and San Francisco. During the stay of Miss Moore and Mr. Roberts abroad it is probable that Mr. Lewis Scott's original drama, "The Silence of Dean Maitland," will be produced, the author having leased the play to Mr. Roberts for two years for performance in America and England. The piece is well constructed, and should provide the actor with a telling and congenial character as the Dean.

Mr. Alfred S. Usher receives good news this week of his daughter's progress at the Leipsic Conservatorium, which has been so satisfactory that she will be allowed to appear on the platform soon after Easter. Miss Maud Hogg, of this city, has just reached Leipsic, and will study violin with Herr Hilf. Mr. Usher receives great accounts of the splendid playing of the orchestra at the Gewendhaus, where already his daughter has heard D'Albert, Carreno, and Sapplikoff, amongst star pianists; Sarasate, the great violinist; and Mme. Sembrich, Mlle. Blanche Marchesi, and Mr. Plunkett Green, amongst famous vocalists. The students at the Conservatorium are encouraged to attend these concerts.

Owing to the continued illness of her little girl, her one ewe lamb, Mme. Amy Sherwin had not resumed work when the last mail left London, nor did she expect to do so until

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ST. MATTHIAS', Paddington.—11 a.m., Rev. J. Dixon; 7.30 p.m., Rev. J. Hargrave.

ST. THOMAS', Balmain.—11 a.m., Rev. J. W. Gillett; 7 p.m., Rev. John Dixon.

ST. BARNABAS, George-street West.—A Memorial Service will be held at 7 p.m. in memory of the late Mr. C. Howland, who was secretary of the Sunday school for over 20 and a resident in the parish for over 30 years.

ST. JAMES', King-street.—Sunday, 8th January, 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11, Matins, Litany, and Sermon; 3 p.m., Catechism; 7.15, Evensong and Sermon; 8.30, Address to Men Only.

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ANNANDALE Hunter-Baillie Memorial.—Rev. D. D. BAILLIE (just arrived), 11 and 7.

BURWOOD, St. James' Presby.-church.—Rev. J. Alwyn Ewen; forenoon, 11; and evening, 7.

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W. N. G. PALMER, Council Clerk.

Council-chambers, Drummoyne,
January 6, 1899.

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6th January, 1899.

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All objections to names on such Lists or claims to be inserted therein must be lodged in writing with me on or before the 14th instant.
HENRY P. BROWN, Council Clerk.

Town Hall, Marrickville,
9th January, 1899.

BOROUGH OF PADDINGTON.

NOTICE is hereby given that the MUNICIPAL LISTS for the year 1899-1900 of persons supposed to be entitled to vote are in my custody, and open for inspection by any person interested therein, at the Town Hall, during office hours, up to the 14th instant.
All Claims by persons whose names have been omitted, and objections to names inserted, must be in writing, and lodged with me on or before the said 14th instant.
A. VALLANCE, Council Clerk.

Town Hall,
6th January, 1899.

BOROUGH OF WAVERLEY.

MUNICIPAL LISTS.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Copy of the Municipal Lists of the Borough of all persons who shall appear entitled to be enrolled upon the Municipal Roll of the Borough of Waverley for the year 1899 is in my custody, and will be open for the inspection of any Ratepayer interested therein FROM THE 7th TO 14th DAY OF JANUARY, 1899, during office hours. ALL CLAIMS to have names inserted therein, or OBJECTIONS to names already on the Lists MUST BE MADE IN WRITING, and delivered to me not later than the 14th DAY OF JANUARY, 1899.
JOHN CLUBB, Council Clerk.

Borough Council-chambers,
Waverley, January 7th, 1899.

BOROUGH OF MOSMAN.

NOTICE is hereby given that the MUNICIPAL LISTS for the North, East, and West Wards respectively of the above Borough for the year 1899-1900 are now open for inspection during office hours at the Council-chambers.
All Claims to have names inserted and objections to any included must be in writing, and delivered to the undersigned on or before the 14th January, 1899.
GEO. F. M. WITHERS, Council Clerk.

Council-chambers, Mosman,
January 7th, 1899.

BOROUGH OF WOOLLAHRA.

NOTICE is hereby given that the MUNICIPAL LISTS for the year 1899-1900 are now open for inspection within office hours at the Council-chambers, Ocean-street.
All Claims to have names inserted therein or objections to names now included must be in writing, and delivered to me on or before the 14th inst.
CHAS. A. VIVIAN, Council Clerk.

Council-chambers, Woollahra,
7th January, 1899.

BOROUGH OF LEICHHARDT.

MUNICIPAL LISTS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the MUNICIPAL LISTS for the Norton, Westworth, Kendall, and Cook Wards of the above Borough are now lying at this office in my custody for inspection by all persons interested. All Claims to have named inserted on said Lists, or objections to any names thereon, must be in writing and lodged with me on or before 14th instant.
T. D. MEARES, Council Clerk.

Town Hall, Leichhardt,
6th January, 1899.

BOROUGH OF REDFERN.

NOTICE is hereby given that Messrs. JOHN HUNTER and FREDERICK HENRY BRIGHT have been appointed VALUERS of Rateable Property within the Borough for the Municipal Year, February, 1899-1900.
THOMAS CLARKE, Mayor.

Town Hall, Redfern,
6th January, 1899.

BOROUGH OF REDFERN.

The MUNICIPAL LISTS of this Borough for term February, 1899-1900, are now in my custody, and may be inspected at the Council-chambers by all parties interested on any lawful day from 7th to 14th instant, during the usual office hours.
All Claims to have names inserted, or objections to Names on Lists, must be in writing, and lodged with me on or before the 14th instant.
R. W. GRIERSON, Council Clerk.

Council-chambers, Redfern,
7th January, 1899.

BOROUGH OF THE GLEBE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Municipal Lists of persons entitled or supposed to be entitled to vote for the ensuing year 1899-1900 are in my custody, and may be inspected by all persons interested therein, at the Town Hall, during business hours, between the 7th and 14th January. All claims to have names inserted in the lists, or objections to names thereon, must be in writing and handed to me not later than the 14th JANUARY, instant.
T. D. GLASSCOCK, Council Clerk.

Town Hall, Glebe,
6th January, 1899.

BOROUGH OF WILLOUGHBY.

NOTICE is hereby given that Aldermen G. F. BAILEY have been duly appointed RETURNING OFFICERS for the Borough for the Municipal Elections to be held in February next.
CLAUDE LEPLASTRIER, Mayor.

Council-chambers, Willoughby,
3rd January, 1899.

BOROUGH OF NEWTOWN.

NOTICE is hereby given that ALDERMAN JAMES FRANCIS SMITH, Denison-street, Newtown, has been duly appointed RETURNING OFFICER for the next Annual Election of Aldermen and Auditors for the several Wards of this Borough.
JESSE COWLEY, Council Clerk.

Town Hall, Newtown,
5th January, 1899.

BOROUGH OF NEWTOWN.

NOTICE is hereby that the MUNICIPAL LISTS of Persons supposed to be entitled to vote at any election of Aldermen and Auditors for the several Wards of this Borough during the ensuing municipal year are now in my custody, and will remain open for inspection during office hours by any persons interested, between the seventh and fourteenth days of January instant.
JESSE COWLEY, Council Clerk.

TENTS!!! 3s 6d weekly. Howard and Co., 38 and 40 Pitt-st., Sydney. Write for lists.

Municipal Elections.

RANDWICK ELECTIONS.

REPLY TO A PAR.

My opponent is identified as Clerk on Blue Book of Government Architect Department. He is now a Civil servant; if elected is not eligible for position of Mayor. He would not be permitted to approach the Minister for Works on a deputation from council. He is the nominee of the old brigade. The electors know their business, and will elect me as the trusted custodian of their interests. I shall beat my opponent 4 to 1.

Ald. E. HAWES.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

MUNICIPALITY OF MANLY, WENTWORTH WARD.

According to the wishes of a numerously and influentially signed requisition, Mr. R. F. HOVAN has consented to allow himself to be nominated a CANDIDATE for the position of Alderman at the forthcoming election for the above ward, who respectfully seeks your vote and interest for the above ward.

F. W. C. HILL, Hon. Sec.

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Naval and Military Notices.

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

The Thirty-eighth Annual General MEETING will be held at the Rooms of the United Service Institution, on TUESDAY, 31st January, at 7.45 p.m.: To receive Report and Balance-sheet for the past year; the Election of Office-bearers under the rules; and for the transaction of any other business that may be brought forward.
NOMINATIONS for Twelve Vacancies on the Council must reach the Secretary on or before the 19th instant, from whom nomination forms can be obtained.
The following are names of the retiring members of the Council:—

Captain Leggatt.	Mr. H. Vernon
Mr. Jas. Mitchell	Lieut. Newmarch
Lieut.-Col. Longfield, V.D., Chairman	Major A. Fraser, V.D.
Mr. W. Rickwood	Mr. J. J. Bevans
Major Stack, V.D.	Mr. C. W. Frost
	Mr. T. H. Kendall, and
	Mr. W. C. Shipway.

W. FOSKETT, Captain, Secretary.

Box 228, G.P.O.

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RECRUITING for the above will take place on MONDAY, the 9th January, at the Orderly Room, Victoria Barracks, 7.30 p.m. Standard: Height, 5ft. 8in.; Chest Measurement, 35in.
PARADE.—HALF DAY, 31st JANUARY, 3.30 p.m. Drill order.
R. VANDELEUR KELLY, Major, Comdg. A.M.C.
(1s-81)

CORPS of Engineers' Ride Club.—Club SHOOTING, To-day, Randwick, 2 p.m. W. Meaney, gen. sec.

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WILL Mr. KINGSLEY CURTIS call on Mrs. Freeman, Warren-rd., Marrickville. English letters.

WILL Mrs. GERTIE ROGERS please send ADDRESS. A. D., Post-office, William-st.

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FUGITIVE NOTES.

The Gatton horror once more demonstrates how much mightier than the detective is the novelist. There was a lead done, the horrid details of which had reached every person who could read throughout Australia within a few hours of its accomplishment, and a Conan Doyle or a Poe would have had the villains by the heels in less time than it takes to write this paragraph. But your detective is not what the novelist makes him out to be, although in a case of this kind one would have thought that the Queensland authorities would have had every available policeman on the scene of the crime without delay. In spite of the romanticists, that is usually the best way of unravelling a great crime. The more inquirers there are the more likely is something vital to be learnt quickly. When the pursuit is hot guilty tongues are likely to blab, and sympathisers and friends of the guilty are sometimes terrorised into speech. In the famous Phœnix Park murders the shrewd Superintendent Mallon followed this plan. Between the Saturday of the murder and the following Monday every car-driver in Dublin had been subjected to an examination, with the result that on Monday the names of every one of the guilty party were in possession of the detectives. They did not waste time on theories or motives; they simply asked questions. Surely a similar plan might have been followed at Gatton; and if the Queensland Government could not spare sufficient men, we would have lent it some.

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It seems that even if the claimant of the Portland title establishes his claim, he will not get the family estates, and the accumulated money in the bank, and it will remain for him to decide whether it is worth while to be a duke with no visible means of support. It is always a saddening sight to see the peerage begging its bread in the street—every Londoner will remember the scion of a noble house who plays a penny organ in the streets, and is not too proud to inform curious Cockneys who he is and what he once was. Alas, everyone at some time or other has probably met a distressed nobleman who only wanted sixpence to take him to Leichhardt where his parents were living in luxury; or an impoverished general who hated to worry one, but insisted on the price of a pint. These encounters are common enough, but it would be fantastic to have two Dukes of Portland, one immensely rich and the other very much the reverse. And it might lead to complications, in fact it would be bound to. Supposing the new comer went round and ordered large quantities of jewellery in the name of the Duke of Portland, could he be prosecuted because confiding tradesmen supplied the goods on the assumption that he was the opulent, original person? Moreover, when the Lord Chancellor called on the Duke of Portland to speak in the Peers there might be an unseemly wrangle as to who was who; in fact the only way out of the difficulty will be to name one of them "Duke of Portland II.," as they do with racehorses sometimes.

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The Emperor of China has his diet regulated by a board of native medical men, a piece of information which ought to cause leading New Zealand natives to gnash their teeth in envy. After all, they have not got so far as this in the leading colony, and a man may still eat what he likes, be he Premier or swagman. However, it ought to be very interesting to be present at one of these discussions, though they are pretty sure to be held in committee. But one can fancy the heated discussions that take place between the party of experts that think that the Emperor should have boiled eggs for breakfast and the ones (which alone opposed what the other proposes) that strongly supports fried sausages. By the time it is settled and tripe has been agreed upon as a compromise, the Emperor will probably only be fit for weak beef tea, or cold mutton, which he always detested.

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French journalists, even when they descend to the bitterest vituperation, are ever so much more polished and rapier-like than we bull-doggy English, who delight in calling a spade not only a spade but very often a something shovel. We can fancy the sort of interchanges that would take place if the "Texas Rooster," for instance, suspected that the "Texas Bludgeon" was stealing its telegrams wholesale. "The piebald skunk," the editor of the first influential journal would remark, "who starves on the losses of that miserable little accident in printing, 'The Bludgeon,' has once more stolen the cablegrams for which it is well known 'The Rooster' pays enormous sums yearly. 'The Bludgeon' is simply a wart on the face of honest journalism." And no doubt the reply of "The Bludgeon" would be equally spirited and to the point. But the French journalist does it differently. Here is a case. There are two journals published at a certain French town, and I hasten to say that they are both the leading papers. But though they are both intensely admired by large sections, as they deserve to be, they are at enmity with each other. In point of fact, they roundly accuse each other of stealing each other's news items; and the cablegrams are particularly sore point—with both. Many pungent leaders have been written on this theme, and in fact the townsmen regard it as a permanent and attractive topic for editorial comment. But one paper has summed its opinion up into one permanent standing notice to subscribers. "The public," it remarks, with a laconic touch that is the height of art, "will be gratified to know that the cablegrams which appear below, and which are exclusively the property of (here comes the name of the journal), will duly appear in the (here comes the name of the rival journal) to-morrow." That is all; but it seems more effective than slang.

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The regulations now being enforced against the detested alien will convey a feeling of security to the thousands who have long lived under the constant dread of the mysterious hordes which are always on their way here, but which, somehow or other, never seem quite to arrive. Only it is a little galling to find that we have been left so far behind by New Zealand. Do what we may, we never seem able to get close to New Zealand in the fierce rush for restrictive legislation. In New Zealand they deal with the alien in the most thorough-going fashion, and with a spice of humour into the bargain. Any foreigner is allowed to work at the kauri gum industry after he has been domiciled in the colony for three months, the only trifling drawback to this liberal arrangement being that the moment the wretched foreigner attempts to land the authorities muster the Permanent Forces on the wharf, and hint at a round or two from a firing party if the effort is persisted in. The effect of this is very beneficial, and makes the law thoroughly comprehensive; instead of tinkering about with hair-splitting definitions in regard to the "coloured" races the omniscient eye of the New Zealand statute pierces through all shallow sophistries and looks upon all foreigners as aliens, just as during the Napoleonic wars the English rabble regarded all foreigners as Frenchmen. Perhaps, though, the New Zealanders really do not know that Austrians are not black or tan and yellow. You can never tell with these very brilliant people; they are in so great haste to be brilliant that they often scorn inquiry into mere base facts. But, seriously, was there ever in recent times an Act done by a British Government more laughably contemptible than this attempt to prevent two or three humble foreigners landing and working within its jurisdiction? If the Imperial authorities had displayed the same antipathy towards Austrian officers and missionaries these last 20 years England's task in the Soudan might be a great deal more difficult than it is to-day.

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Mr. Reid's mind is a complete blank now, and if put on his oath it is probable that he could not swear to his own name. This is not to be wondered at, remembering the badgering and heckling and hard work and late hours he has survived during recent months. Nevertheless, it is a little amusing when we contrast his present state with his former one of ready presence of mind for every contingency, and his fluent answer for every question. This interview shows the change that has come over Mr. Reid:—

"Are you going to hold the Federal Conference next week?"

The Premier: "What is it?"

Interviewer (horrified): "The Federal Conference."

Mr. Reid (deliberately): "Never heard of him."

Interviewer: "What about the city railway?"

Mr. Reid (calmly): "Well, what about it?"

Interviewer (tartly): "Are you going to build it?"

Mr. Reid (dreamily): "Beautiful day for a trip to Manly."

Interviewer: "Have you seen Mr. Want lately?"

Mr. Reid: "Not for years."

Interviewer: "What?"

Mr. Reid: "Tell you I don't know the man."

Interviewer: "Are you going to reform the Upper House?"

Mr. Reid: "No."

Interviewer (triumphantly): "You said you would."

Mr. Reid: "Didn't."

Interviewer: "You did: I can prove it."

Mr. Reid: "Well, I will if you like."

Interviewer (exasperated): "That's just like you—you will and you won't. What about Norfolk Island? Going to appoint an Agent-General? Where are you going to spend your holidays? Are you still taking French and swimming lessons?"

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Owing to the rapid changes in European politics it has again been found necessary to obtain special cablegraphic intelligence:—

LONDON, Jan. 5.

The French and Siamese Governments are inquiring into the attack made upon the French agent and his unarmed escort at Luang Prabang. It now turns that the outrage was the work of an unknown individual. It is thought in influential circles that if the outrage had been the work of an influential citizen, who immediately afterwards gave himself up to the police, the investigation by the French and Siamese Governments would not have been required. But this is a mere speculation.

LONDON, Jan. 4.

Admiral Revoilliere declares that the "French shore" in Newfoundland is absolutely worthless, and the Paris papers unanimously recommend that it should be ceded to England for a heavy sum, or in exchange for India. "The Times" this morning says that Lord Salisbury is thinking hard over this generous offer; meanwhile, it goes on to observe, England is prepared to swap a piece of waste ground in Jersey for the province of Brittany. Or she would give a lady's sealskin jacket (never worn) and a cage of prize singing canaries for a French battleship.

LONDON, Jan. 5.

"Le Temps," commenting on the "Times" leader, says the schism notable between England and France is now irrefragably established. It is not certain about the offer of the sealskin jacket; but it reiterates the Newfoundland gift. "Our country, it concludes, will be reckless when the contest is one of generosity."

LONDON, Jan. 6.

Nothing of consequence happened to-day, except a riot at Charing Cross, in which 30 people were killed, and three or four murders. Tallow is soft.

A. B. C.

EMPTY FRUIT CASES.

DECISION BY THE RAILWAY AUTHORITIES.

The following correspondence has been handed to us by the secretary of the Fruitgrowers' Co-operative Society:—

"Bathurst-street Fruit Exchange,
December 17, 1898.

"To the Railway Commissioners, Sydney.—Gentlemen,—We beg to draw your attention to the great number of empty fruit cases lying about the yards at Darling Harbour, and to ask you if it is not possible to have them returned forthwith to the stations the names of which are stamped on the boxes. These cases have been returned from the country to the agents who have previously used the growers' cases; but, recognising the fact that you have always shown a desire to meet the wishes of those trading with you, we feel satisfied that you will do what is possible to place matters on a better footing than at present. Would it not be a step in the right direction to give all stations instructions to forward all empties (fruit cases) to the stations marked on the boxes?

"I have, &c.,
"JOHN E. ROBBERDS,
"Secretary, Fruitgrowers' Co-operative Society."

(Copy of minute by Railway Department to all station-masters:)

"Re Empty Fruit Cases Lying at Stations Unclaimed.—It has been agreed, as a special case, that all unclaimed empty fruit cases now lying at stations unconsigned must at once be forwarded to their owners as indicated by the brands and addresses shown upon them. A full report of such consignments must immediately be submitted to me, showing whether they have been previously consigned, how long they have been on hand, and what action, if any, has been taken to effect delivery in the ordinary way. (Signed) John Harper."

ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the council of the Zoological Society of New South Wales was held yesterday, when there were present—Dr. G. E. Rundle (presiding), Captain Ghest, Messrs. Charles Moore, William Coles, Greaves, J. Barnet, Beaumont, John Kerp, and W. H. Caldett (secretary). Reports presented showed that from December 2 to 31, 1898, the takings totalled £176 9s 9d, made up as follows:—Entrance fees, £161 6s 6d; elephants, £10 19s; ponies, £4 4s 3d. The visitors during the same period numbered 7737—5169 adults and 2568 children. The secretary reported that during the last five Sundays there were 16,366 visitors, made up of 9080 adults and 7286 children, and equalling in money value £325 11s 6d. The secretary was instructed to visit the Zoological Gardens at Melbourne and Adelaide, with a view to arranging for exchanges of animals. The receipt was acknowledged of a number of donations to the collection of animals and birds.

A STRANGE SIGHT

would be a home without a tin of AULSEBROOK'S NEW MILK ARROWROOT BISCUITS, a perfect food for young and old alike.—Advt.

A REVISITED FISHING GROUND.

By A. O.

II.

In the middle sixties, from which my first introduction to the coast lagoons (or lakes as they are termed locally) situate between Brisbane Water and Newcastle dates, these spacious, and then but little known, nurseries and sanctuaries for fish were the happy hunting and fishing grounds for a few votaries of sport residing in and about Newcastle and the Lower Hunter, and for the still fewer of their metropolitan brethren, to whom a week's rough camp life at Terrigal, Tuggarah Lake Entrance, or the head of the lakes (the Chinamen's) was no hardship. In these times one could easily catch six to ten dozen schnapper within a mile of the entrance to Lake Macquarie, or off the Bamborers at the Tuggarah entrance, in a couple of hours of morning or afternoon fishing. Twice that quantity could be as easily caught within the same time off Bungaree Norah (the Bullanoggors Rock). Everywhere in the Bight between Bird Island Point, and Point Upright, a space that is almost one entire "foul bottom," fish were plentiful, and took almost any bait, or any thickness of line, voraciously. Nothing but southerly weather or the approach of a thunderstorm, put them off their feed. Neither was there any lack of grey morwong, kingfish, black rockcod, nannigai, and "Sergeant Baker," wherewith to vary the monotony of the schnapper catch. It was, of course, a common enough matter to be interviewed by those tax-gatherers of the ocean, the blue pointer, tiger, grey nurse, and school shark. These, as now, took toll of the fisherman, and often in such a way as to amount to peremptory notice to quit, for it seems to be the rule of the coast that, however scanty the supply of schnappers and other good fish, we are fated never to be without the shark in these waters.

Then it was a rather rare thing on a school-ground to catch red bream less than 2lb. in weight, for their elders and betters would come, not in single files, but in battalions; so that the catch of half a day's fishing among schnappers was represented by a very level lot, anything less than a "count" fish, being exceptional. Neither was it necessary in those days to get away to your fishing ground before daylight so as to tempt the early-breakfasting fish with delicate baits, and lines almost as fine as a lady's hair-pin. No. 2 hooks, 9 or 12 cord lines, and anything by way of bait, from a bit of old shark-skin to a piece of shin of beef, or salt pork, sufficed, for the ocean floor was teeming with fish that did not know how to be fastidious. Often when I was a passenger in one of the collier ketches that plied between Lake Macquarie and Sydney, and got becalmed in this Tuggarah Bight (which was not an infrequent occurrence), cooky would sling a lump of pork on a hook and line which a self-respecting butcher would now be almost ashamed to hang up a calf with, over the ketch's rail, and, in less time than I take to write it, there would be a 10lb. schnapper flapping on the deck. It is no exaggeration to say that the difficulty was not to find where fish were, but where they were not; and that, too, not only during the summer months, but up to the middle of June or the beginning of July, when it is supposed that the inshore anglefi-grounds are deserted for warmer waters far out to seaward, but probably inside the 100-fathom limit.

Consequently they had the Blue Peter at the truck, having decided to drop fishing and try some other means of making a living. Other fishermen, line and net, had come during their stay, but not being able to make "tucker" out of the grounds within a radius of eight or ten miles had promptly topped their booms for elsewhere. They intended to leave for the benefit of others the neat little hut in which they slept, arranged in bunks round the walls, and it is to be hoped that no vandals will destroy it or the Italian inscription over the doorway, which I give in the original spelling:—"In questa spiaggia sono habitanti gli Italiani pescatori dei ragoste." Those lobster fishers take our best wishes with them, and should they go into the fruit trade in Sydney they will, I verily believe, retail fruit according to the sample in the window—could I say more for their honesty?

If it had been winter instead of summer we might have had a good chance of getting into Tuggarah by the sea entrance at the southern end of the lake, but although the inspector reported the entrance bar, we knew that a smooth sea was supposed to be taken for granted, and I did not care to take it on Tuesday night. Several fishing boats have been "filled up" on the northern spit in attempting to cross that bar, and, not wishing to add to the number without good cause or excuse, I decided on the trip across country as already mentioned. And the more so because of the comfortable quarters which Mrs. Hargrave's house at Norahvill, distant but half an hour's walk from the boat harbour, affords to all persons who prefer a four-poster to a shake-down under a tent or a boat's sail.

And just here is exactly the place for me to commend to vacation ramblers and camping parties, the route via Cabbage Tree Boat Harbour, and Norahvill. Of course, one can get to the lake via Wyong or Wyee by rail, and be met there by teamsmen and rural families in them, who are willing to look elsewhere for fish. Some of them thought Government ought to "pass an Act," &c., &c. What sort of Act, and with what provisions and penalties did not transpire. I must have been the recipient of at least a dozen theories more or less wild, to account for the startling decadence of those fisheries, but not a single fisherman ascribed it to continuous "over-fishing." Just as the squatter never "over-stocks," so the fisherman never "over-fishes." But I must ask pardon of one net-fisherman, who did frankly attribute the scarcity of fish in the lakes to over-fishing—by lines. He was of opinion that Government ought to prohibit line-fishing by amateurs—"Sydney Cockneys," he contemptuously called them; and he assured me that he counted as many as 20 boatloads at one time of these amateurs "choking" the narrow channel which is the only inlet and outlet for fish going to and fro between the sea and the lake. Allowing for some not unpardonable exaggeration and a good deal of jealousy, my friend's theory was not quite as wild as it looks at first sight.

This was more than 30 years ago. But down to a comparatively recent time the offing schnapper fisheries in this locality were well supplied with fish. In the early eighties I found no lack of good fish in this bight; certainly the supply was not what it used to be, and the fish were much harder to please in the matter of bait; but they were to be caught if you laid yourself out to do it. All this time, however, the net fishermen in the lakes, sometimes to the number of 30 or 40 boats in each, were busy reaping their harvest of black bream, black fish, mullet, tailor, tarwhine, whiting, and worst of all of small red bream. And these red bream which, it is certain, leave the outside spawning beds for the lakes within a few months after being hatched out, happen to be the schnapper at an early stage of development. In four or five years they will be the school fish whose pastures are round the reefs, and patches of rock and shell or gravel banks, about which the manifold organisms on which they subsist are found in abundance at certain times of the year; and some forms always.

For the last eight or ten years the present deponent has been of necessity satisfied to listen to the fishing stories of friends, who cheerfully agree in consigning him to the retired list of obsolete fishermen. It is done in a complimentary sort of way, by making such people patrons of the Amateur Fishermen's Association. But in spite of the serious drawback just adverted to the desire for active service becomes invincible sometimes. Last Tuesday week night was one of these occasions. Then, behind the good old-fashioned brig Prospero, herself behind some vigorous little tugboat in the kind offices of Messrs. Warburton, the 36 miles between the North Head of Port Jackson and Norah Head occupied us, in a little 18ft. schnapper boat, just six hours. It was an excellent passage, and not a cup of spray was shipped by our frail craft, her towline taut as a bar, nose cocked well out of water, and the clean cleft waves seething up on each side of her quarter, and seemingly several inches higher than her tuck. It was not a time to nod like Palinurus at the helm, because a sudden sheer meant a capsize, and perhaps a general smash up. Towing at seven or eight knots in the open ocean is exhilarating work, but it is not for novices or careless or sleepy fellows. The moon was in her last quarter, and the sea smooth. What more could one desire, unless it were a stanch little sea-boat, and that was precisely what the "Cure," fishing tender to the "Unicorn" may fairly claim to be. We dropped Prospero's warp just off the Bullanagora, and in less than an hour beached in the smooth waters of Cabbage Tree boat harbour, which lies in a small sandy bight about half a mile to the west of Norah Point, and well protected by jutting ledges of rock to the east.

Here we found a small colony of Sicilian lobster fishermen, and a more obliging bevy of merry sea dogs I never fell upon. In a very short time the Cure was high and dry, out of tide reach, and all her gear was stowed away handy for the trip across country which she was to make, and did make next morning, lashed on the crossbars of a strong ti-tree fork, an admirable contrivance for conveying any boat across country which happens to be too heavy or cumbersome for an ordinary dray. The account of the lobster and schnapper fishing given by these Sicilians was a truly dismal one. They had been at work some four or five months, and the take did not average them 10s per week per man. I saw them haul up 100 lobster pots for 12 lobsters!

SOCIAL.

His Excellency the Governor and the Viscountess Hampden and the Hon. Dorothy Brand came down to town on Monday and attended the Highland Gathering at the Sydney Cricket Ground. The Governor was also present at the Randwick races during the afternoon.

A marriage has been arranged between Captain the Hon. T. W. Brand, 10th Royal Hussars, eldest son of his Excellency the Governor and the Viscountess Hampden, and Lady Katherine Scott, eldest daughter of the Duke and Duchess Buccleugh.

Lord and Lady Brassey, attended by Captain Paterham, have been cruising in the Sunbeam on the south-west coast of Tasmania during the past fortnight.

Lord Richard Nevill has been the guest of Sir Frederick and Lady Darley at their country residence, Lilanfels, Katoomba, for the last few days.

H.M.S. Royal Arthur, with his Excellency the Admiral on board, arrived in Hobart before Christmas. The Admiral and Mrs. and Miss Pearson are living at Leura, Battery Point, the house rented by the Government for the use of the Admiral during his stay in Tasmania.

Lord and Lady Gormanston began their summer hospitalities by giving a large dinner party in honour of the Admiral. The company included the principal officers of the Royal Arthur, several prominent residents, and the house party, which consists of Colonel W. Sackville West, Miss West, and Miss Cooper, Mrs. Lock-King and Miss Muriel Campbell, and Major Bryan (cousin of Lord Gormanston).

Lady Gormanston holds a reception on afternoons of days during the summer months, which are always largely attended.

It is said that Lord and Lady Gormanston, accompanied by their daughter, the Hon. Ismay Preston, will leave Hobart in March for a six months' trip to England to see their three sons. During the absence of the Governor his place will be taken by Chief Justice Dodds.

The marriage of Surgeon Albert O. Bobardt, R.N., H.M.S. Dart, eldest son of Mr. H. G. Bobardt, of Chamcombe, Mile Mile, Melbourne, with Miss Florence Holdsworth, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Richard Holdsworth, of Woodbourne, Elizabeth Bay, took place at St. John's Church, Darlinghurst, on Wednesday afternoon, January 4, in the presence of a large number of wedding guests and spectators. The church was beautifully decorated by Miss Birmingham, assisted by girl friends of the bride, conspicuous amongst the decorations being a large floral anchor and bell, which were afterwards removed to the residence of the bride. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Canon Pain. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. Tertius Holdsworth, wore a dress of rich ivory duchesse satin, the bodice embroidered with silver sequins and ruched tulle veil and sleeves, Honiton lace veil with true lovers' knots of ruched bebe ribbon in the corners, and caught up with a pearl and diamond crescent, and worn over a small coronet wreath of orange blossoms and heath. She also wore a string of pearls and diamond star pendant, the gift of the bridegroom's mother. Her bouquet and solet gold bangle with inscription were gifts from the bridegroom. There were four bridesmaids in attendance—the Misses Linda and Millicent Moore (nieces of the bride), Miss Daisy Willsallen, and Miss Justina Renaie. They wore white muslin with lace insertion and bebe ribbon over white satin, white chiffon sashes and fichus, and white hats trimmed with white chiffon and feathers. The deputation finally passed over these troublesome flats into a pretty little creek some half a mile long, which brings you into the last lake, Mannurrah. This, for its size, is the deepest of the series, and having a fair wind from east we soon arrived at "Chinamen's," now an open grassy slope, once the scene of busy mullet-curing operations which, by the pervading far-carrying smell that surrounded them, require no explanations for anyone who knew how Chinamen cure fish for Chinamen. Here we pitched our tent and camped for the night, and next morning walked across the neck of land, ½ mile, that separates Mannurrah from Lake Macquarie. We encountered nothing living (locusts excepted) but a large diamond snake, which one of us walked over and immediately afterwards decapitated with a tomahawk. Returning to Mannurrah we set a 100-fathom meshing net in a likely place, and left it down all night, expecting in the morning some good lake mullet and bream for breakfast. Alas! the net, when lifted, was empty—there was not a scale in it. And this was a spot where in old times such a net would certainly have given us more good fish than all the men at the Sydney Soup Kitchen could eat as a sitting. So nothing was to be said but "Ichabod!"—or to be done but tackle the corn'd beef which we had taken the precaution to bring along as emergency tucker. Nevertheless, the net was set again that night, and our reward was four soles, the largest about three-quarters of a pound. Meanwhile our friends the Sicilians had been working all the reefs and other feeding grounds in lopes of being able to present us with something like a New Year's gift of schnappers. The melancholy result of a day's hard work was one poor fish, certainly of the schnapper kind, but in very poor condition and scarcely worth cooking. It was the same sad song wherever we went. Everyone to the same story. The fish on the school-ground were not to be found; and in the lakes the catches were decreasing each year. And yet the fishermen, having built themselves half-tenements and reared families in them, were unwilling to look elsewhere for fish. Some of them thought Government ought to "pass an Act," &c., &c. What sort of Act, and with what provisions and penalties did not transpire. I must have been the recipient of at least a dozen theories more or less wild, to account for the startling decadence of those fisheries, but not a single fisherman ascribed it to continuous "over-fishing." Just as the squatter never "over-stocks," so the fisherman never "over-fishes." But I must ask pardon of one net-fisherman, who did frankly attribute the scarcity of fish in the lakes to over-fishing—by lines. He was of opinion that Government ought to prohibit line-fishing by amateurs—"Sydney Cockneys," he contemptuously called them; and he assured me that he counted as many as 20 boatloads at one time of these amateurs "choking" the narrow channel which is the only inlet and outlet for fish going to and fro between the sea and the lake. Allowing for some not unpardonable exaggeration and a good deal of jealousy, my friend's theory was not quite as wild as it looks at first sight.

WOOLLAHRA MAYORALTY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—On my return from Hobart to-day I was shown a paragraph in your Saturday's issue to the effect that I was an aspirant for the position of Mayor of Woollahra next year. I should much like to know who gave you this information, as it is quite incorrect, and the statement is consequently made without my authority. Asking the favour of your insertion of this, I am, &c.,

January 5. G. NORTON RUSSELL.

A WISE WOMAN

insists on having in her home at all times a tin of AULSEBROOK'S NEW MILK ARROWROOT BISCUITS.—Advt.

"Strathroy," the winner of the Summer Cup, illustrated in this week's "Sydney Mail." All Agents.—Advt.

DON'T LOOK OLD.

With a vanishing years greyness increases. Stop this with Lockyer's Sulphur Hair Restorer, which darkens to the former colour and preserves the appearance. Lockyer's Restorer is made in England only.—Advt.

M.L.A., with Mrs. Jessep, Alderman W. Houston, J.P. (Mayor of Randwick), with Mrs. Houston, Rev. John Macaulay, M.A., with Mrs. Macaulay, Mrs. Grahame (Strathearn), Miss Houston, Mrs. Hughes, Dr. and Mrs. Mathieson, Mr. and Mrs. James Watson, Mrs. Wachsman, Mr. and Mrs. W. Woods, Miss Walford, Miss Nicolls, Miss Christie, Mrs. C. S. Christie, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Roche, Mr. and Mrs. H. St. John Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. D. Stewart, Mr. C. T. Norton, the Misses Tegrue (2), Captain and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. B. Sexton, Mr. J. L. Smith, and others. The wedding party adjourned into the school hall after the ceremony, when afternoon tea was served, and later Mr. and Mrs. Wallace left for Berowra for their honeymoon.

The marriage of Mr. F. L. Hodgkinson, second son of Mrs. T. C. Hodgkinson, of Waratah, Woollahra, and Miss Mabel Hogg, of Prahran, Victoria, was celebrated at Christ Church, Lavender Bay, on December 20 last, the Rev. A. Yarnold officiating. The church was prettily decorated by girl friends of the bride, Miss Yarnold presiding at the organ. The bride, who was given away by Mr. D. B. Thomas, was dressed in white Indian muslin trimmed with lace, satin ribbon, and lilies of the valley. Over a coronet of orange blossoms a Honiton lace veil was worn, the gift of the bridegroom's sister. A showery bouquet of sky-hawk and fern completed the costume. The bridesmaids, Miss M. Hogg and Miss L. Hodgkinson, wore pretty spotted muslin frocks over green silk, and carried floral crooks with satin streamers. The two tiny bridesmaids, little Doris Holden and Vera Power, looked dainty indeed in white with floral crooks. Mr. Darrell Benusan was best man and Mr. H. Coggins groomsman. After the ceremony the guests were entertained at Vivian, Pitt-street, North Sydney. Later on the happy pair left for Lansdowne, Shoal Bay, Balmain, was married to Miss Alice Maude Massey, third daughter of Mr. William Massey, of North Sydney. There was a large attendance at the church, and the Rev. S. H. Childe, M.A., performed the ceremony. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a dress of white silk with chiffon trimmings, tulle veil, and wreath of orange blossoms. The bridesmaids were Miss E. Massey (sister of the bride), Miss Ethel Laws (sister of the bridegroom), Miss Mabel Massey (niece of the bride), and Miss Rene Laws (niece of the bridegroom). The two first mentioned had dresses of floral muslin, the other two were dressed in white muslin, and each wore a picture hat, also a gold brooch, the gift of the bridegroom, and carried a shower bouquet. The best man to the bridegroom was attended by Mr. James M'Kay, of Balmain. Mr. J. F. Massey (organist) played the "Wedding March" as the party left the church. At the conclusion of the ceremony the bride's parents held a reception at Carrington Hall, and a large number of friends were present at the breakfast. Amongst the guests were—Captain and Mrs. Vanderboard, Captain Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Clark and Miss Clark, Mr. and Mrs. James Laws, sen., Mr. and Mrs. Warrick, Mrs. Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. A. Massey, Mr. and Mrs. A. Graham, Mrs. Patterson (Balmain), Mr. and Mrs. Greentree, Miss and Mr. Watson (Nowra), Misses Cann, Gale, Herbertson, Lenehan (Cliff), and Irene Ewing, described as of no occupation, were charged at the Central Police Court on Thursday with larceny as the bailees of certain furniture, the property of M. Symonds and Co. Mr. Quinlan appeared for complainant, and Mr. Abigall for defendants. At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., Margaret Hoys, aged 55, was charged with having driven a horse attached to a sulky in King-street, Newtown, thereby occasioning bodily harm to one Reuben Russell on December 26. Sub-inspector Elliott conducted the prosecution, and Mr. Gardiner, who appeared for the defence, pleaded not guilty. The defendant, who reserved her defence, was committed for trial at the next Court of Quarter Sessions, and was allowed bail.

Charges of Stealing.—At the Central Police Court yesterday John Travers (28), painter, pleaded guilty to stealing 1 coat and vest, value 15s, the property of Bernard Hornaker, on January 4, 1899, and was sentenced to imprisonment for one month. Thomas Brown (22), labourer, pleaded guilty to a charge of stealing a linen handkerchief, valued at 2s, the property of Elizabeth Wilson, on January 5, and was ordered to be imprisoned for three months, with hard labour. John Kennedy (27), a carter, was charged with stealing a clock, kerosene stove, and sundry other articles, the property of William Augustus Manschun. Mr. Stewart appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Lewers for the defence. Mr. C. H. Love, D.S.M., who occupied the bench, fined accused £5, with £1 19s costs, in default four months' imprisonment.

Assaults.—At the Glebe Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Holdsbery, S.M., John Edward Lovedee, aged 52, was charged with having severely assaulted his wife, Rebecca Lovedee, thereby occasioning her actual bodily harm, by striking her in the face with a bottle at Leichhardt on December 31. The charge was preferred by the police against accused, who was committed to one of common assault, and the accused was ordered to be imprisoned with hard labour for six months.

Alleged Assault and Attempted Robbery.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., James Blythe, aged 26, and Robert Hardie, aged 19, were charged with having, in company, assaulted, with intent to rob, William Robert Matthews at Marrickville on the 26th instant. Mr. Cromwell appeared for defence and pleaded not guilty. The accused were committed to take their trial at the next Court of Quarter Sessions at Darlinghurst. Each of the men was allowed bail.

Disorderly Conduct.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., John Mulhall, aged 30, was charged with having acted in a disorderly manner at Newtown on a public holiday. The accused was ordered to be imprisoned with hard labour for three months.

A Serious Assault.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., a youth named Arthur Wolley, was charged with having committed an assault upon a girl, Mr. Chenhall appeared for the accused. The accused was committed to take his trial at the next sittings of the Central Criminal Court. Bail was allowed; two sureties of £100 each.

Riotous Conduct.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., Benjamin Howell and Phillip Howell were each ordered to be imprisoned, with hard labour, for seven days for having behaved in a riotous manner in Rochford-street, Erskineville, on December 26 last.

A Serious Charge.—At the Paddington Police Court yesterday, before Mr. F. S. Isaacs, S.M., William Reid Gardiner, of Bondi, hotelkeeper, age 42, and Thomas Lupton Smith, of Sydney, bookseller, age 46, were charged with committing a certain offence at Bondi on December 14 last. Mr. Taylor defended Gardiner, and Mr. Edmunds with Mr. Poole, appeared for Smith. Both the accused were committed for trial at the next Quarter Sessions. Bail was allowed, accused in £200, on their own recognisances, and two additional sureties of £100 each.

A Series of Charges.—At the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Wilshire, S.M., five charges were preferred against a photographic canvasser named Frank Willis. In each case he pleaded guilty. Accused travelled for Ward and Farran, photographers, 19 Macquarie-place, and canvassed for orders for the enlargement of portraits. Accused was committed for trial for illegally pawning a large coloured oval picture, upon each of three charges of fraudulent appropriation he was sentenced to two months' imprisonment, and upon a charge of false pretences he was sentenced to three months' imprisonment cumulative.

A Street Robbery.—At the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Wilshire, S.M., George Harris, aged 18, and Robert Ward Geoghegan, aged 17, were charged with stealing in company a basket and a pair of boots from Mrs. Ada Reid. It was stated that a few nights ago, in Oxford-street, one of the accused snatched a basket which Mrs. Reid was carrying. Both then ran away. Subsequently they were arrested. Harris was sent to gaol for three months and Geoghegan for two months.

LAW REPORT.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

CREDITOR'S PETITION.

Rabbi Hyam Soltan, of 39 belwyn-street, Sydney, hairdresser, v. Solomon H. Levy, of Marlborough-street, Sydney. Petition to be heard January 17.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Monday, January 9.
In Equity.—Before the Deputy Registrar in Equity, at 11 a.m.—Moloney v. Moloney, to settle minutes of decree. Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary.—Tait and Co. v. Gray and another, 11; Sydney Co-operative Clothing Company, Limited, v. Mulard, 12.

COURT OF REVIEW.—Monday, January 9.
(Before his Honor Judge Murray, in No. 2 District Court, at 10 a.m.).
Appeals Against Land Tax Assessments.—Bolinbula Mining Company (James W. Johnson, public officer), v. Gray (administratrix of estate of late Thomas Gray), C. S. Bray, John W. Chisholm, M. W. S. Clarke, W. A. Dunn (executor of estate of late William Dunn), Ramsay Farrell, Francis P. Fausett, William Fieldhouse and another, Fitzroy Mining Company (J. W. Johnson, public officer), F. S. Flesy, H. A. Flesy, E. J. C. Goodridge, John Hay, John Hay and others (trustees of estate of late David Berry), Lady E. J. Innes (executrix of estate of late Sir J. C. L. Innes) and others, owners), T. C. Jamieson and others (trustees of estate of late H. E. Gibbes), James W. Johnson, James W. Larnach and others (executors of the will of Donald Larnach), W. F. Lawson, Liverpool, London, and Globe Insurance Company (M. W. S. Clarke, public officer), W. A. Long, W. A. Long (trustee of estate of late W. B. Dalley), R. R. MacDonnell, H. Mackenzie and another, Clara M'Laughlin, John M'Laughlin and another (trustees of estate of late W. M'Quade), Mary Ann Nicholls, Elizabeth Macarthur Onslow.

POLICE COURTS.

Breaches of the Licensing Act.—At the North Sydney Police Court yesterday, before Mr. F. S. Isaacs, S.M., William Northam, licensee of the North Shore Hotel, situated at the corner of Miller and Berry streets, appeared to answer an information charging him with selling liquor on Sunday, the 25th ultimo, about 8.20 a.m., on his licensed premises to persons who were not travellers nor bona fide lodgers nor inmates. Mr. C. B. A. Smith appeared for the defendant. The magistrate, however, considered the case proved, and inflicted a fine of £3, together with 5s 6d costs of court, levy and distress, or in default one month's imprisonment. At the same court, Alfred Drake, licensee of the Albert Hotel, Walker and Mount streets, North Sydney, pleaded guilty to a similar charge on the same day, and was fined £2, with 5s 6d costs of court, or in default one month's imprisonment. At the Central Police Court yesterday Benjamin Sparkes, licensee of the Grace Darling Hotel, Little Hay-street, pleaded guilty to a charge of permitting music on his premises, and was fined £1. Thomas Walker, of the Kalgoorlie Hotel, Levy-street, was charged with selling liquor on Sunday, and was fined £3. In each case the fines were recoverable by levy and distress, and half to go to the police reward fund.

Assaulting a Wife.—Herbert M. Scott, 27, wineseller, was charged at the Central Police Court yesterday with assaulting his wife, Elizabeth Scott. Defendant was fined £3, or two months' imprisonment, an application for substitution of levy and distress, or time to pay, being refused.

Cruelty to Animals.—In the Summons Division of the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. C. Delohery, S.M., Herbert Anker proceeded against Benjamin Simpson for permitting a horse to be ill-treated, and a fine of £1 was inflicted.

Committed for Trial.—William Dawson, 34, labourer, was charged at the Central Police Court yesterday that being in charge of a cart did so negligently drive the horse attached thereto as to cause bodily harm to John M'Mahon on Sunday, December 25, 1898. He was committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions commencing on January 30. Bail was allowed. Walter Hutton (or Cliff) and Ernest Ewing, described as of no occupation, were charged at the Central Police Court on Thursday with larceny as the bailees of certain furniture, the property of M. Symonds and Co. Mr. Quinlan appeared for complainant, and Mr. Abigall for defendants. At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., Margaret Hoys, aged 55, was

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—January 4.

Hauroto, s., 1998 tons, Captain G. Crawshaw, from Auckland, Samoa, Levuka, and Suva. Passengers—Miss Le Mesurier, Revs. Flaus and Englert, Messrs. J. B. Stanley, Cranny, J. C. Cotterell, W. and J. Adin, A. A. Benjamin, Mrs. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Ninnes and 5 children, Messrs. E. Morris, A. Watson, P. Kearney, C. J. Morgan, J. Gallagher, D. Jeffreys, Moses, Michael, and Zachary. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Burrawong, s., 393 tons, Captain R. Taplin, from Macleay River January 5. Passengers—Mrs. Phillips' nurse and family, May, Battle, Johnson, Thurgood, Misses Trees, Notley, Walker, Quiney, Ryan, Dale, Sifler, Messrs. Case, G. H. Williams, Johnson, J. G. Ferrier, Hughes, Netterfield, Smith, Hardwick, Notley, Taylor, Dangar, M'Grave, Lynch, May (2), M'Whirter, Lawson (2), Walsh, F. C. Hill, and 8 in the steerage. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Tyrian, s., 1155 tons, Captain Alfred Easton, from Townsville, via ports. Passengers—Mesdames Horsey, Kable, Welsh, Carmichael, Kennelly, C. J. Cousens, Misses Kennelly, Horsey (4), A. Fisher, E. Watson, A. Matters, Carmichael, De Lange, M. Feltham, Kennelly, Messrs. Carmichael, M. J. Fay, Kennelly, F. H. Martin, J. S. Connell, M. Birmingham, E. T. Dillon, M. Kable, J. Welsby, G. D. Riley, H. Jolly, J. H. Hill, E. A. Sandford, A. Partridge, T. A. Jones, A. Butler, C. J. Cousens, A. J. Everett, C. Kinsella, A. Mackay, C. Snow, H. R. Langen, S. Crespin, J. Adamson, J. M. Wood, J. Brown, E. B. Longmore, T. Walne, and 65 in the steerage. Wm. Howard Smith and Sons, Limited, agents.

Cintra, s., 1979 tons, Captain W. R. Fleetwood, from Melbourne the 4th instant. Passengers—Mesdames Waring, Bucknell, Brooke, Dugman, G. Campbell, E. Campbell, C. Griffiths, G. Julian, Quinn, M'Donald, Moody, Dill, Beard, Linscott, Hodgson, Norton, Love, Stevenson, R. B. Yule, Misses Anderson, Allen, K. Robbe, Anderson, Duggan (3), B. Moore, J. Budd, Williams, Stanworth, J. Allen, Paton, Allen, Bayley, Harvey, Love, Penfold (2), Messrs. Eddy, Davidson, Grant, Hay, Sabine, Taylor, Wilson, Waring, Masters, W. Armstrong, E. Armstrong, Brooks, J. T. Allen, C. R. Greatue, Whiting, Newman, Stenton, Hitchcock, Wernick, Cockerton, Wing, Coates, R. G. Moore, Borchardt, Martin, and child, Quinn, M'Donald, Robertson, Moody, Yule, Moffat, Dempster, P. Buck, W. Barton, F. Barton, W. Prane, Christie, Evans, Tynan, Hawley, Seedsman, Clifford, Norris, Beard, W. Beard, jun., Linscott, J. D. Smith, Stewart, Gilchrist, Hodgson, Wilson, Walters, Moorcom, Love, Williams, Hamphries, Berg, Moore, Masters' Dangar (3), Norton, and 100 in the steerage. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Leura, s., 1182 tons, Captain W. Ellis, from Melbourne January 4. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Mackay, Mr. and Mrs. Byrne, Mr. and Mrs. Barr, Mr. and Mrs. Berry and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Rooke and 2 children, Mrs. W. G. H arse and 2 children, Mrs. J. Hall and 2 children, Mrs. Morse and infant, Mrs. C. Anderson, Mrs. H. Watkins, Mrs. C. King, Mrs. Laurie, Mrs. M'Cullagh, Mrs. E. Fairbourne, Mrs. Patton, Mrs. Stanley, Misses M. M'Cullagh, Barr, Crodin, Cravine, M'Kinney, Messrs. M. Scott, R. Chartimer, G. Gripp, J. M'Neil, T. Garp, T. Fishbourne, J. Herne, H. Wenli, R. J. Galloway, Dixon, M. Moore, Clark, R. Clark, S. Cohen, Gardiner, Wood, J. Robertson, A. Hanks, J. M. Maughton, Thorn, A. E. Kissell, Samuels, R. Brown, M. Grippith, Nagle, W. Mignard, M. Gaynor, Vrodes, Master Johnston, and 70 in the steerage. William Howard Smith and Sons, Limited, agents.

Namoi, s., 1414 tons, Captain Skinner, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S. S. Company, agents.

South Australian, s., 716 tons, Captain S. Magrath, from Newcastle. A. Sheddon, jun., agent.

Augusta, s., 350 tons, Captain L. Tulloch, from Tweed River. Passengers—Mrs. Silfread and 2 children, Miss Davey, Mr. Mustaka, and 3 in the steerage. L. Tulloch, agent.

Peterborough, s., 186 tons, Captain J. Wilson, from Bateman's Bay. J. Aubin, agent.

Murray, s., 144 tons, Captain Canty, from South Coast. J. Aubin, agent.

DEPARTURES.—January 6.

Aberdeen, s., for Capetown and London, via ports.

Burrumbeet, s., for Melbourne.

Bullarra, s., for Rockhampton, via ports.

M.M.S., Ringdove, for Hobart.

Hauroto, s., for Newcastle.

Tekapo, s., for Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—January 7.

Orotava, Royal mail steamer, for London, via ports; Waikare, s., for Hokianga; Lyttelton, Dunedin, and Bluff; Rotorua, s., for Wellington, Lyttelton, and Dunedin; Marston, s., for Hobart; Leura, s., for Cairns, via ports; Tyrian, s., for Melbourne; Cuba, s., for Townsville, via ports; Kallatina, s., for Clarence River; Burrawong, s., for Macleay River; Augusta, s., for Tweed River; Namoi, s., for Newcastle; Cintra, s., for Cairns, via ports; Bullimba, s., for Melbourne.

CLEARANCES.—January 6.

Aberdeen, s., 3501 tons, Captain A. Robb, for Capetown and London, via ports. Passengers—For Natal: Mrs. Christian, Miss Christian, Master Christian, Miss Kent. For Capetown: Mr. W. E. Shepherd, and 15 in the steerage.

Hauroto, s., 1998 tons, Captain G. Crawshaw, for Newcastle, in ballast.

Tekapo, s., 2439 tons, Captain H. Sams, for Newcastle and Port Kembla, with part original cargo.

Arroya, s., 3504 tons, Captain H. B. Glen, for Hamburg, via ports. Passengers—For Melbourne: Mr. Harrison.

Adderley, barque, 1147 tons, Captain R. Lindfors, for Honduby, via Newcastle, in ballast.

Moana, s.M.S., 3870 tons, Captain M. Carey, for Newcastle, in ballast.

Wentworth, barque, 493 tons, Captain Tackow, for Azores.

Bullarra, s., 1725 tons, Captain K. A. Berg, for Rockhampton, via ports. Passengers—Mesdames Mackenzie and child and infant, Bradley and 2 children, Rutherford and child, Sherrard and 3 children, Payne and 4 children, Misses Moore, Wassall, Hodson, Alice Smith, H. Hiller, Captain Sherrard, Messrs. J. E. Patterson, Mason, Payne, C. B. H. Watson, T. H. Brabazon, J. Wallace, Macdonald, Winter Hall, Victor Turner, C. Cotton, H. H. Bunnell, J. W. Stark, E. Reynolds, Alec Brown, Master E. Harcourt, and 41 in the steerage.

Burrumbeet, s., 2420 tons, Captain W. Riggrave, for Melbourne. Passengers—Mesdames Williams, Ross, Lord Connor, Parker, Hitchen, Fitzpatrick, Coburn, Gordon, Picton, Misses Latimer, Taylor, Gordon, Sparzo, Thomas, Croudace, Hope, Murdoch, Barnes, Black, A. H. Lowry, Cameron, Mason, W. Ramsey, C. Rhode, Miller, J. Buck, W. Anderson, W. Cochrane, Pilot (1, T. Osborne, E. Trenchard, Williams, R. Crabbe, J. Hackett, R. V. Brown, F. F. Watt, R. Isaacs, Fitzpatrick, W. W. Danley, Gould, Gordon, Coburn, C. White, Considine (2), F. H. Looney, T. Looney, A. R. Watts, Cornery, J. M'Carthy, J. C. Wilson, Masters Brown, Henderson (2), and 49 in the steerage.

IMPORTS.—January 6.

(A special charge is made for consignees' notices under this heading.)

Hauroto, s., from South Sea Islands: 125 tons copra (in bulk), 5791 sacks copra, 210 sacks peanuts, 336 sacks candlenuts, 50 sacks cocoanut, 15 sacks beche-de-mer, 22 sacks hides, 4 sacks wool, 6477 bunch s bananas, 6 cases bananas, 28 cases oranges, 10 cases shells, 2 cases fans, 2 bales s.c., 30 sacks sea eggs, 279 quarter-sacks white spirit, 41 hogsheads white spirit, 3 turkeys, 47 packages sundries. For Melbourne: 15 bales cotton, 9 packages sundries.

Tekapo, s., from Newcastle, via ports: 18 bales skins, 83 bales wool, 8 fides cowhair, 2723 hides, 995 bundles bananas, 8 crates bananas, 15 cases mangoes, 403 cases potatoes, 30 cases fruit, 20 cases arrowroot, 14 cases merchandise, 20 cases rolled oats, 653 sacks sugar, 64 bags provisions, 380 boxes butter, 16 casks tallow, 12 bags bones, 73 stone, 380 bags butter, 16 cases tallow, 12 bags bones, 73 bags copra, quantity of brewers material, and large quantity of sundries.

Bullarra, s., from Queensland ports: 332 bales wool, 538 hides, 20 bags hides, 33 bales skins, 67 bags bones and horns, 14 casks tallow, 2 bales sinews, 3 bales hair, 4 bales ulupinces, 314 bags manure, 998 bars rechse, 16 cases galvanised iron, 5370 bags sugar, 13 cases paint, 24 cases meats, 41 cases whisky, and sundries.

Willyama, s., from Port Pirie: 18,004 bars lead, 16,826 bags concentrates, 1050 bags flour, 500 bags wheat.

Burrawong, s., from Macleay River: 297 bags maize, 7 cases lard, 10 cases honey, 350 bags potatoes, 7 bales skins, 2 calves, 21 cases eggs, 4 cases meat, 3 cases fish, 1 case tallow, 13 coops poultry, 47 bales, 157 cases butter, 6 pieces cedar, 21 pigs, 2031 spokes.

Augusta, s., from Tweed River: 27 cedar logs, 12 pine logs, 186 boxes butter, 127 bags bones, 172 hides, 7 casks tallow, 3 bundles sheepskins, 3 bags hair, 79 bags potatoes, and sundries.

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Orizaba, R.M.S., from London: 1000 cases milk, 50 packets hops, 835 bars and 545 bundles iron, 14 packages photo goods, 3 cases waterproof goods, 100 packages chemicals, 10 cases plated ware, 7 cases cutlery, 20 cases tobacco, 12 packages rubber goods, 12 cases food, 89 packages books and periodicals, 15 packages furniture, 4 bales paper, 137 cases medicines, 15 cases electroplate, 10 packages confectionery, 46 packages leather and hop ery, 197 packages drapery, 749 bale, 575 bundles fl plates, 150 bags manures, 1310 packages tea, 12 cases essence, 40 boxes oranges, 25 cases galvanised iron, 9 packages malt, 14 cases bicycle parts, 54 packages books and shoes, 100 packages machinery, 6 cases metal sheets, 32 packages soaps and confectionery, 650 boxes tinplates, 4 packages wire rope, 68 cases cottons, 15 boxes type, 25 cases woollens, 790 packages merchandise, and sundries; also a quantity of carps for transhipment.

Leura, s., from Melbourne: 594 bags flour, 80 bones shootails, 9 crates cabbage, 244 bags onions, 500 bags rice, 191 bags wheat, 144 bags bran, 21 bags maize, 29 bars barley, 23 cases fruit pulp, 22 bundles pipes, 108 bags peas, 10 cases fish, 332 cases tins, 11 barrels oil, 66 bundles pipes, 8 boxes candles, 40 cases bottles, 40 sacks potatoes, 6 cases hardware, 4 cases machinery, 40 cases butter, 6 bars steel, 4 cases drapery, 1 horse, 2 cases soap, 2 cases silver oil, 30 cases fruit, 50 cases sundries, and 8 bags through cargo.

EXPORTS.—January 6.

Aberdeen, s., for Capetown and London: 3125 bales wool, 183 cases meat extract, 261 casks tallow, 2174 cases meats, 2310 sacks sugar, 20 cases cheese, 20 cases pelts, 40 bales skins, 800 quarters beef, 720 boxes butter, 22 bales rabbit skins (66700), 60,000 bags ore, 5317 ingots copper, 8000 bars lead, 1469 ingots tin, 6 tierces bladders, 192 tierces skins, and sundries. From Newcastle: 210 bales wool, 1826 quarters beef, 2413 carcases lamb, 191 carcases and 500 haunches mutton, 400 cases meats, 2803 ingots copper, and sundries.

Arroya, s., for Hamb rg, via ports: 50.7 bales wool, 59 bags brass, 291 hides. Original cargo: 2400 tons ore.

Westbury, barque, for Azores: 454 tons copra, 1229 bags copra.

Burrumbeet, s., for Melbourne: 2100 tons coal, 30 tons coke, 3 horses, 36 bags oysters, 20 cases potash, 25 cases ale, 4 cases drapery, 94 hides, 14 empty returned cases, 20 cases whisky, 20 cases pickles, 400 cases turpentine, 200 cases tomatoes, 45 bags beans, 30 casks shale tine, 200 cases grease, 18 cases cordials, 3 cases clothes, 13 waste, 6 cases grease, 18 cases cordials, 3 cases clothes, 13 waste, 6 cases grease, 18 cases leather, 3 bales skins, 21 cases paint, 2 tanks milk, 7 cases hardware, 23 packages castings, 2 bales rope, 24 packages furniture, 23 packages castings, 2 baskets prawns, 450 cases fruit, 142 cases cucumbers, 4 cases samples, 50 bales wool, and sundries.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

BRISBANE.—Arrivals: January 6, Innaminka, s., from Sydney; Karaarena, s., from Bundaberg. Departures: January 6, Barcoo, for Townsville; Arawatta, s., Konoowarra, s., for Sydney; Burwah, s., for Rockhampton.

BUNDABERG.—Arrival: January 5, Lady Lamington, s., from Brisbane.

ROCKHAMPTON.—Arrivals: January 6, Alinga, s., Julia Percy, s., from Brisbane.

COOKTOWN.—Arrival: January 6, Wodonga, s., from Brisbane.

TOWNSVILLE.—Departures: January 5, Rockton, s., Warrego, s., for Brisbane.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: January 6, Andora, ship, from Melbourne; Port Elliot, s., from Port Pirie; Belle of Avon, barque, from East London; Lindores Abbey, barque, from Para; Titus, s., Newcastle, s., Lubra, s., Rotokino, s., Fanny Fisher, barque, May Byrnes, Isabelle, schooners, from Sydney. Departures: January 6, Agy, s., for Melbourne, with 3200 tons coal; Paddy, s., for Melbourne, with 1900 tons coal; Titus, s., for Wallaroo, with 3400 tons coal; Marsona, s., for Hobart, via Sydney, with 2050 tons coal; Waikare, s., for Wellington, via Sydney, with 1000 tons coal; Titus, s., for Santa Cruz, via Rockhampton, with 400 tons coal; Western, s., Lubra, s., Newcastle, s., Jones Brothers, Advance, schooners, for Sydney.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: January 6, Tambo, s., at 5.50 a.m., west.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: January 6, Coogee, s., from Launceston; Marloo, s., from Western Australia. Departures: January 6, Carrier Dove, for Newcastle; Adana, s., Buninyong, s., Barrier, s., for Sydney; Umballa, s., for Calcutta; Penguin, s., for Stanley.

ADELAIDE.—Arrival: January 6, New Guinea, s., from Newcastle. Departures: January 6, Coogee, barque, for Newcastle; Kalgoorlie, s., for Melbourne; Kirkdale, barque, for Dunkirk.

PORT ADELAIDE.—Arrivals: January 6, Melbourne, s., from Fremantle; Brenan, s., from Melbourne. Departure: January 6, Kalgoorlie, s., for Melbourne.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

RICHMOND HEADS.—January 6: Excelsior, s., at anchor in bay. 18ft. on bar, and 10ft. on inside channel at high water.

BELLINGER HEADS.—January 6: Lansdowne, ketch, harbound.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Arrivals: January 6, Forster, ketch, at 11 a.m. Jubilee, schooner, at 11.20 a.m.—

MANNING HEADS.—Arrival: January 5, Alfred Benning, keb b, at 3.50 p.m., from Sydney.

CAMDEN HAVEN.—Arrivals: January 6, R. A. Heywood, ketch, at 4.30 a.m., from Newcastle; Kincumber, s., at 4.30 p.m., from Sydney; Mary Ellis, ketch, at 1.30 p.m., from Sydney; Louisa Lamont, schooner, at 2 p.m., from Sydney.

CAPE HAWKE.—Arrivals: January 5, Fulford, schooner, at 12.15 p.m. Williams, schooner, at 1 p.m., Shannon, schooner, at 1.40 p.m.

SEAL ROCKS.—Passed: January 6, Chanta, s., at 5.15 a.m., north.

PORT STEPHENS.—January 6: Onyx, lugger, at anchor in bay.

BARRANJOEY.—Departure: January 6, Dora Maud, ketch, at 6.40 a.m.

BELLAMBI.—Arrival: January 6, Currajong, s., at 6 a.m., from Sydney.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrival: January 6, Palmerston, s., at 8.50 a.m., from Sydney; Annie Bow, schooner, at 9 a.m., and Allowrie, s., at 2.30 p.m., from Sydney.

JERVIS BAY.—Departure: January 6, Pearl, ketch, at 9.30 a.m., bound north.

EDEN.—Arrival: January 6, Bega, s., at 8.30 a.m., from Sydney.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: January 6, Corrake, s., at 4.20 p.m., south.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: January 5, Tambo, s., at 7.30 p.m., south.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed outwards: January 5, a ship with foretopgallant mast gone at 8.50 p.m. January 6, Australien, F.M.S., at 9.5 a.m.; Orisaba, R.M.S., at 9.45 a.m.

HOBART.—Arrivals: January 6, Oonah, s., at 3.30 p.m., from Sydney. Portland, barque, from South Africa.

LOW HEADS (TAS.).—Arrival: January 6, Paterna, s., at 5.5 a.m., from Melbourne.

STRAHAN (TAS.).—Departure: January 6, Orowaiti, s., at 12.50 p.m., for Melbourne.

ALBANY (W.A.).—Departure: January 6, Adelaide, s., at 6 a.m., for Adelaide.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

AUCKLAND, Friday.

Arrival: Envy, ketch, from Norfolk Island.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN SHIPPING.

LONDON, Friday.

Arrival: Indramayo, s., from Sydney, via ports; Gulf of Genoa, from Sydney; Maorie, s., from New Zealand; River Falloch, ship, from Port Pirie; Duke of Buckingham, s., from Queensland ports; Star of England, s., from Sydney, via New Zealand ports.

Departures: Nineveh, s., for Sydney, via Capetown; Pentalomi, barque, for Brisbane; Bacchus, for Port Pirie; Rangitira, s., for New Zealand ports.

(For Continuation of Shipping see Page 10.)

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Friday.

Average annual rainfall for 39 years, 49·502.

Sydney standard barometer at 9 a.m. to-day, 29·21. Temperature, maximum, 75°8; minimum, 59°6. Humidity, 9 a.m., 57°0; 3 p.m., 58°0.

STATE OF HARBOURNES AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 29·87; Geraldton, 29·76; Perth, 29·90; Esperance Bay, 30·03; Eucla, 30·06; Streaky Bay, 30·19; Adelaide, 30·13; Robe, 30·09; Portland, 30·01, Melbourne, 29·99; Wilson's Promontory, 29·93; Gabo Island, 29·82; Cape St. George, 29·87; Sydney, 29·91; Newcastle, 29·94; Port Macquarie, 29·95; Clarence Heads, 29·96; Rockhampton, 29·71; Cooktown, 29·73.

STATE OF THE WEATHER AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Generally fine and clear; few clouds in the north-east.

Queensland.—Dull to raining on parts of coast, fine in western parts.

Central and Northern Australia.—Cloudy in the north, fine in centre.

New Zealand.—Dull to showery generally.

RAIN HAS FALLEN IN THE PREVIOUS 24 HOURS.

Victoria.—light on the coast.

Queensland.—Light to heavy in the south-east, along the coast, and in the north. Bowen, 0·02; Brisbane, 1·43; Burketown, 0·67; Cardwell, 1·26; Clermont, 0·13; Croydon, 1·73; Gayndah, 0·04; Georgetown, 0·05; Geraldton, 0·62; Gilbert Town, 0·36; Gladstone, 1·08; Maryborough, 0·10; Nebo, 0·08, Normanton, 0·10; Rockhampton, 1·71, Springsure, 0·10; Taroom, 0·04.

RIVER REPORTS AT 9 A.M.

Albury, 1ft. 1in.; Balranald, 6in.; Bingera, low; Bootleal, 2ft. 4in.; Bourke, 4ft. 1in. above and 1ft. below weir; Brewarrina, low; Deniliquin, 2ft. 3in.; Hay, 2ft. 2in.; Hexhambog, 8in.; Euston, 9ft. 11in.; Goolooga, low; Gundagai, 3ft.; Hay, summer level; Hillston, summer level; Louth, low; Mantiia, low; Menindie, low; Mogil Mogil, low; Moulamein, low; Mungundi, 9in., falling; Pooncarie, low; Tilpa, low; Tocumwal, 3ft.; Wagga Wagga, 1ft. 4in.; Wentworth, 8ft.; Wilcannia, 8in., falling; Yetman, low; Barwon River, at Walgett, low; Namoi River, at Walgett, 2ft. 10in., stationary; Goondiwindi, low.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 9 P.M.

Tweed Heads, S.E., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Byron Bay, S., dull, sea smooth; Ballina, E.N.E., fine, sea smooth; Clarence Heads, E., light, fine, sea smooth; Woolcoolga, N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, S.E., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, S.E., light, cloudy, sea moderate; Macleay Heads, S.E., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Port Macquarie, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Manning Heads, E., hazy, sea moderate; Seal Rocks, N.E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Port Stephens, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Newcastle, E.N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Lake Macquarie Heads, S.E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Catherine Hill Bay, S.E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Barranjoey, E.N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; South Head, N.E., moderate, fine, sea smooth; Wollongong, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Kiama, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Crookharven Head, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Ulladulla, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Moruya, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Eden, N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth, Green Cape, N.E., light, cloudy, sea moderate; Gabo Island, S.W., strong, cloudy, misty, sea rough.

FORECASTS.

New South Wales.—Light winds, N.E. on the coast; weather fine and pleasant generally.—H. C. Russell.

South Australia.—Fine and pleasant; weather slightly warmer, mostly clear, but some clouds in south-east; smooth sea, light winds chiefly between S. and E.; sea breezes on coast during day.—C. Todd.

Victoria.—Moderately cool weather generally, and fine, except for a few coastal showers; W. to S. winds, light inland, but fresh along coast; moderate sea.—P. Baracchi.

SPECIAL FORECASTS BY MR. A. W. ANDERSON, FOR TURF DAYS.

New South Wales.—Cloudy in the north-east, with a tendency to scattered rain under strong winds; elsewhere generally fine to cloudy; sea moderate, but soon rough in the south-east.

Western Australia.—Cloudy weather in the northern half, with passing showers; fair otherwise, but more rain or thundering under strong winds; rough seas north from Cossack.

Northern Territory.—Rain, chiefly in connection with thunderstorms, but generally the weather will be fair.

South Australia.—Fine to cloudy generally; scattered rain in places, chiefly on and near the coast.

Queensland.—Still dull the weather be cloudy and close generally, excepting only in the far south-west and along the southern border. More rain, heavy in places, chiefly in connection with thunderstorms anticipated next from a line joining Camooweal, Adavale, and Mungindi.

Victoria and Tasmania.—Fine to cloudy inland; rainy and stormy on and near the coast; rough seas.

New Zealand.—Rainy and squally, with rough sea.

New Caledonia.—Cloudy weather with rain.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR JANUARY 7.

Sun rises at 4.53, sets at 7.11; Moon, 12.17 a.m., 2.0 p.m.; Mercury, 3.20 a.m., 5.36 p.m.; Venus, 4.22 a.m., 4.2 p.m.; Mars, 8.17 p.m., 6.16 a.m.; Jupiter, 12.34 a.m., 1.49 p.m.; Saturn, 2.54 a.m., 5.7 p.m.

New Moon, 9th; First Quarter, 15th; Full Moon, 22nd; Last Quarter, 30th.

High water at Fort Denison, 3.35 a.m., 4.8 p.m.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland } 9.30 p.m.
Victoria.—Overland }
Queensland.—Overland
Melbourne.—Ootaras, 10 a.m.
Brisbane.—Leura, 11 a.m.
Hobart and Launceston.—Mararoa, 1 p.m.
Wellington, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Waikare, 2 p.m.
Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, from Wellington.—Rimutaka, 2 p.m.
Clarence River.—Kallatina, 4 p.m.
Maclay River.—Burrawong, 5 p.m.
Noumea.—Australien 9 p.m.

MONDAY.

Eden.—Bega, 11 a.m.
Jubuti, Marshall Islands.—Alf, 5 p.m.
Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Pateena, 5.30 p.m.
Macleay River.—Coraki, 6 p.m.
Richmond River.—Tweed, 3 p.m.

TUESDAY.

Bateman's Bay and Nelligen.—Peterborough, 11 a.m.
United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius.—Overland to Adelaide, and thence per Orotava, 5.30 p.m.
R.M.S. Orotava (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.
Western Australia, Natal, and Capetown, via Melbourne.—R.M.S. Orotava (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Orotava, 5.30 p.m.
Dunedin, &c., N.Z., and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Talune, 5.30 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Orotava, 5.30 p.m.
Clarence River.—City of Grafton, 8 p.m.
Byron Bay, Coff's Harbour, and Woolgoolga.—Excelsior, 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY.

Launceston, via Eden.—Tekapo, 11 a.m.
Eden.—Allowrie, 11 a.m.
Noumea.—Tunaie, noon.
Auckland, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Mokoia, 1 p.m.
Tahiti and Rarotonga, from Auckland.—Ovalau, 4 p.m.
Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 5.30 p.m.
Fiji, Samoa, and Tonga.—Hauroto, 7 p.m.

PARCEL MAIL.

Parcels addressed to the United Kingdom, Egypt, and certain foreign countries via the United Kingdom, will be received at the Parcels Office, 151 Castlereagh-street, for transmission per Orient Company's steamer Orotava, up to 9.30 a.m. THIS DAY, January 7. Parcels must be posted in a letter box, but must be taken to the Parcels Office, where the necessary declaration as to their contents and value must be signed. Parcels addressed to Fiji, Honolulu, and Canada will be received at the Parcels Office for transmission per C.P.A. steamer Miowera up to 10.30 a.m. on SATURDAY, January 28. Parcels addressed to Germany will also be received at the Parcels Office for transmission per German steamer Konigin Luise up to 10.30 a.m. on SATURDAY, January 28.

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having been found foully murdered. The partially calcined remains were found in the ashes of his shanty, the place having apparently been fired to cover the traces of the crime. Still another Fiji murder amongst its Indian population has occurred, this time at Samabula. The victim was a storekeeper, and the four arrested alleged participators in compassing his death were fellow-countrymen and presumably customers of his. At 11 o'clock at night they knocked at his door and ran him through with knives.

A SEBASTOPOL AT NEW CALEDONIA.—"The news that France proposes to erect another Sebastopol in New Caledonia has caused a lively feeling of apprehension," writes the "Age" London correspondent, under date December 2, "amongst all persons in this country who take an interest in Australia, for the existence of a large naval and military station in the Western Pacific within striking distance of Melbourne and Sydney can only be regarded as a standing menace to the safety of the Australasian colonies. Under such conditions it is to be hoped that a sharp look-out will be kept upon the New Hebrides, and that those islands will not be allowed to fall under exclusively French influence. One of the results of the new French policy at Noumea and of the acquisition of the Philippines by the United States is that increased interest is taken in North Borneo and the British possessions there. At the recent annual dinner of the company which exploits that territory, Mr. W. C. Cowie, the managing director, said that during the past year the aspect of the Far East has completely changed. The Russians and French had secured themselves in China; the French had improved their position and fortified themselves just outside the company's territory; and the Americans had made themselves masters of the Philippines. There was some reason to hope that the unique position of North Borneo had not been altogether lost sight of, for if the harbours were fortified British North Borneo would become a veritable fortress in the midst of many camps and a base for the North China squadron."

FUNERAL OF MR. D. O'CONNOR, JUN.—In connection with the death of Mr. Daniel O'Connell O'Connor, second son of Mr. Daniel O'Connor, a requiem mass for the repose of the soul of the deceased was held yesterday morning in the Roman Catholic Church, Redfern. The church was crowded with relatives and sympathising friends. The service was conducted by the parish priest, the Rev. Father O'Regan. During yesterday between 200 and 300 letters and telegrams of sympathy were received by the bereaved parents from all parts of the colony. These included letters from Sir Julian Salomons, Sir George Dibbs, Mr. Justice G. R. Simpson, and many other leading citizens. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at the Waverley Cemetery, and was largely attended. The cortege moved from Tara, Cleveland-street, Redfern, the residence of Mr. O'Connor, Sen. As the coffin of polished cedar with silver mountings was being borne from the house Mr. C. Huenerbein played the Dead March in "Saul." The chief mourners were Mr. Daniel O'Connor (father of the deceased), Messrs. Henry, Thomas, Patrick, and Ernest O'Connor (brothers), Messrs. Timothy and Patrick O'Connor, William Carroll, and Thomas Fox (uncles), Messrs. P. B. Bourke, James Carroll, M.L.A., Patrick Fox, Thomas Fox, and G. J. O'Connor (cousins); and among those who also attended the funeral were noticed the Hon. J. N. Brunker (Colonial Secretary), the Hon. John Hughes (Vice-President Executive Council), The Hon. J. A. Hogue (Minister for Public Instruction), Mr. J. T. Toohey, M.L.C., Mr. C. J. Roberts, M.L.C., Mr. Henry Clarke, M.L.A., Mr. P. E. Quinn, M.L.A., Mr. E. O'Sullivan, M.L.A., Mr. C. McNevin (representing the Curator of Intestate Estates, in whose department the deceased had occupied the position of chief clerk), the Very Rev. C. Nulty, S.J. (President of St. Aloysius College), Mr. M. Keogh, Mr. J. C. Rutter, Mr. Allpress, Mr. F. B. Freehill (Consul for Spain), Mr. P. Hogan, Mr. R. J. Dunford, Mr. C. Huenerbein, Mr. E. J. Ryan, J.P., Mr. T. M. Slattery, Mr. P. J. Hourigan, Mr. W. J. Cosgrove, Mr. E. O'Farrell, Mr. P. M'Mahon, Mr. M. O'Neill, Mr. H. Oxenham, Mr. W. Walsh, Mr. M. J. Conlon, Alderman R. G. Watkins, Alderman E. Keys, Mr. W. J. Hickey, Mr. J. M'Evoy, Mr. W. J. Flanagan, Mr. E. Mahoney, Mr. J. Bannan, Mr. J. Lees, and many others. The interment took place in the Roman Catholic portion of the cemetery. The burial service at the grave was conducted by the Rev. P. O'Regan, who was assisted by the Revs. M. A. Flemming and C. Nulty.

A WOMAN DROWNED IN THE HARBOUR.—About 11 o'clock on Thursday night a woman, named Ada Barchan, lately residing at 3 East-street, off Brisbane-street, city, while returning to Sydney from Manly by the Narrabeen, was observed to jump into the harbour. The steamer at once went full speed astern, and the Water Police launch, which was in the vicinity, was communicated with and commenced a search for the woman. The body was recovered about 6.30 yesterday morning, between M'Mahon's and Milson's Point. Deceased was 32 years of age, and had lived apart from her husband for some time. An investigation will be held by the Coroner at Lloyd's Hotel at 9.30 this morning.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—The City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore, J.P.) held an inquest at Arncliffe yesterday concerning the death of Grace Thackeray, 6 years old, who was killed by being struck by the engine of the 12.5 train from Hurstville on Thursday. The child, who resided with her parents at Roach-street, Arncliffe, was playing at the side of the line, and attempted to cross in front of the engine, which knocked her clear of the rails. Later in the day her injuries proved fatal. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

DEATH AT THE COAST HOSPITAL.—The City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore, J.P.) held a magisterial inquiry yesterday morning at the Coast Hospital, Little Bay, touching the death of William John Cross, aged 42, who resided at Kingstreet, North Botany, but who on Tuesday last was admitted to the hospital suffering from chronic rheumatism. About an hour after admission the deceased went to the bathroom to bathe. Some 20 minutes later he was found lying on the bathroom floor with his head in a pool of blood. He was unconscious. The discovery was made by a patient named Henry Reach, who at once informed the nurse, and the latter had the man removed to the ward in which Cross was for. Cross remained in an unconscious condition until next morning, when he died. Although no one witnessed the accident it is supposed Cross slipped in the bath and fell, striking the back of his head on the sharp edge of the bath, which was made of cast iron, and inflicting a large wound. The coroner entered a finding of death from injuries received while bathing at the Coast Hospital.

SUICIDE OF A CHINAMAN.—The City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore, J.P.) held a magisterial inquiry yesterday at the Botany Bay Hotel, Botany, touching the death of a Chinaman named Ah Ping, aged 35, who was found on the previous morning hanging by a piece of rope from the rafters of a shed in a garden at Banks Meadow, Botany, where he was employed. The circumstances of the case have already been reported, and the coroner entered a finding of death from asphyxia by hanging, the deceased's own act.

In connection with the intercolonial cricket match New South Wales v. South Australia at the Cricket Ground on the 6th, 7th, and 9th instant, the Railway Commissioners announce in our advertising columns that special trains will run at frequent intervals from both Bent-street and the railway steps to ground, commencing at 10.30 a.m. on each day of the match.

Amongst the many opportunities offered to the citizens of Sydney and visitors from the country to enjoy cheap excursions, not the least attractive is that provided by the steamer South Australian, which leaves the Baltic Wharf, at the foot of Market-street, to-morrow morning at 10.30 for Kurringgai Chase and Hawkesbury River, returning to Sydney at 7 p.m.

In connection with the Dapto show the Railway Commissioners announce the issue of holiday excursion tickets to Dapto from Sydney, Nowra, and intermediate stations, on 10th instant, and by trains timed to arrive at Dapto up to 3.7 p.m. on 12th instant, available for return until 14th instant. On January 12 cheap excursion tickets at 3d per mile first-class return (minimum 1s), and 1d per mile second-class return (minimum 9d) will also be issued to Dapto at Sydney and intermediate stations by the 8.30 a.m. train from Sydney, and from Nowra and intermediate stations by the 7 a.m. train from Nowra, available until 14th instant.

At the Rockdale Council meeting on Thursday evening Mr. William Hinwood was appointed, in conjunction with the council clerk, to make the annual valuation and assessment for the year 1899-1900.

At a meeting of the Redfern Council held on Thursday evening, Alderman Gorton drew attention to the fact that for the past fortnight the public clock of the district, situated in the tower of the post-office, failed to work. He pointed out that the Postal Department was responsible that the clock be kept going, while the council undertook to light up the clock, and for a whole fortnight the council had been lighting it every night to show the people that it was still out of order. The Mayor said the Postmaster-General had been told about it. He would take good care to impress upon the Postmaster-General the fact that if the clock was not put in order at once, and kept in proper order, the council would cut the electric light off from the tower of the post-office altogether.

The Art Society evidently believes in the virtue of a short recess, for already students are notified that Mr. Gordon Coutts will take up the reins again as instructor of the art classes for the summer term without further delay.

The monthly meeting of the Horticultural Association of New South Wales was held at the Temperance Hall yesterday evening. Mr. J. Golding presided. Mr. Butterworth showed some edible leaves, and another member some fine samples of vegetables. It was decided that the members should visit Camden Park, the property of Mrs. Macarthur Onslow, on the 24th instant. Mr. J. W. Clay, gardener to Sir James Farrar, read a paper on "Our Vegetable Supply."

A meeting of the New South Wales Chamber of Mines was held at the office, 5 Howe-street, on Thursday evening, to further consider the proposed amendments to the mining laws. A considerable amount of discussion took place and the meeting was adjourned.

Alderman Hawes, the representative of the Coogee Ward in the Randwick Council, in our advertising columns replies to a report appearing in yesterday's issue on the coming contest. Alderman Hawes claims that he is certain as to the result.

Messrs. H. Hoir and Co., manufacturing stationers and printers of George-street, have issued their exceedingly useful diary for 1899. It contains a large amount of information that is in daily request in the counting-house or merchant's office. Ample space is provided to enter memoranda every day in the year—Sundays, however, being excepted—and the article is issued at a popular price.

A meeting of the board of the Parramatta Friendly Societies' Medical Institute was held on Thursday evening. The principal item of business was the suggested purchase of Masonic Hall buildings, George-street, Parramatta, which had been offered to them on easy terms for £1500. A resolution in favour of the purchase was passed, and it was then decided to submit the proposal to the several affiliated societies.

During the period of Mr. M. S. Love's term of duty as Deputy Stipendiary Magistrate, Mr. C. A. H. Redgrave, J.P., will act as Chamber Magistrate at the Central Police Court.

Mr. J. E. Wood, a cricketer, of Castle Hill, was on Tuesday presented with a purse of sovereigns and an address by the Castle Hill Cricket Club and other friends. Mr. Wood is about to take up his residence at Tamworth.

The officers of the Master in Lunacy's Department held a social reunion and dinner last evening at Paris House, Phillip-street. After a most enjoyable dinner had been partaken of, in the course of which several toasts were honoured, including the usual loyal ones, music, singing, and recitations were indulged in, and a very pleasant evening was spent. Mr. Master (Mr. H. F. Barton, M.A.) and the chief clerk (Mr. Henry Edwards) were among those present, and the company included nearly every officer in the department.

We have received from Messrs. Turner and Henderson, printers and manufacturing stationers and importers, of Hunter-street, a copy of their "Merchants' Daily Remembrancer" for 1899, in which figures are introduced showing the number of days past and to come from any given day. This arrangement will be found of great convenience to merchants and others for calculating interest, and for other purposes.

Improvements will be made at the Burwood Fire Brigade Station shortly. A sum of £1000 passed in the Estimates for the purchase of a site at present occupied at the corner of Burwood and Belmore-streets, is available, and this has been supplemented by a vote of £600 for the erection of a suitable modern building by the Fire Brigades Board.

It is announced that the Hibernian Band will play in the Hyde Park pavilion to-morrow afternoon, and a collection will be made on behalf of the Westmead Home.

Mr. Percy R. Meggy announces by advertisement that he is opening a shorthand and type-writing school at Paddington.

"Cosmos" for December (Maclardy and Co.) contains a further instalment of Mr. Bone's East African story, besides other contributions of short stories and poems.

At the corner of Darling and Waterloo streets, Roselle, a new police station has recently been completed. The structure, which is in the form of a cottage, contains an officer's room and a charge room. At the back is a spacious yard, in which are four large lock-up cells. It is anticipated that the station will shortly be opened, and it will then be the third in the Borough of Balmain.

The reclamation works on the Annandale side of Rozelle Bay are proceeding apace. The sand-pumping dredge is working full time, and the iron pipes extend for more than a mile over the land already reclaimed up Johnston's Creek, the swamps which form the alleged watercourse being filled with silt from the harbour bed. On the foreshores huge stacks of planking have been piled up, and at present a timber yard is in course of erection on the reclamation near the Johnston-street Bridge. The filling in of Johnston's Creek will be specially beneficial, when the work is completed, the health of Annandale and that portion of the Glebe municipality known as Forest Lodge.

A painter named Thomas Grace, lately employed in painting the fences surrounding the St. Leonards Park, was yesterday afternoon admitted to the North Shore Hospital suffering from internal injury received through falling while endeavouring to climb into a cart in Miller-street. He is 58 years of age, and resides at Camperdown.

An accident happened on Thursday night, at Parramatta, to a cabman named Murray Kilt. He was driving from the railway station with a lady and gentleman in the cab, when the reins broke, and, after going about 100 yards, he was thrown off his box. The horse then bolted, and turned the corner, and came to grief about 200 yards further on by striking the kerbstone and falling. The occupants of the cab were thrown out, but fortunately escaped with a severe shaking.

Miss Martha Butler, last night, when going to catch a tram at Marrickville and crossing Sydenham-road, slipped and broke her left ankle. Senior-constable Bowrey found her in the road, and took her to Prince Alfred Hospital.

The St. Peters Ladies' Benevolent Society, following their usual custom at Christmas time, granted special relief to the deserving poor in the borough. Fifty-one families were provided with orders for groceries, meat, boots, and garments. The total amount expended for Christmas cheer was £22 5s 6d.

Captain Webber, secretary of the National Shipwreck Society, yesterday received the following amount towards the society's funds:—From Captain Weller, of the *Illingamite*, £1 7s 6d; Captain R. Neville, of the Wahora, £2 2s 6d; Captain E. Philipe, of the Mosaura, £3 6s 3d; and Captain W. Hipgrave, £2 10s 9d.

CHASE AFTER A GAOL ESCAPEE.

TROOPERS AND HORSES FALL INTO A CREEK.

ADELONG, Friday.

Late yesterday Thomas Fenton, the escaped prisoner from Gundagai Gaol, was sighted by two constables four miles west of Adelong. Fenton was on foot, and started at a run down Scrubby Hill. The constables on horses gave chase. On arriving at the bottom of the hill both constables and horses were precipitated into a deep creek. They escaped with a shaking, but one of the horses was crippled and the other damaged. Fenton made good his escape. The district was being searched in all directions to-day without success.

CAPTURE OF THE FUGITIVE.

ADELONG, Friday.

Fenton, the escaped prisoner, was tracked down and captured this evening by Sub-inspector Jones and Constable Sutton 20 miles from here, on Mount Adrah run. Sub-inspector Jones says the capture was made through splendid work done by Constables Glen and Abbott, who met with an accident causing the culprit. They cut him off from the mountains and forced him to take for the Murrumbidgee River. Fenton made no resistance when run down.

SELLING PRICE OF COAL.

THE WEIGHING DIFFICULTY.

NEWCASTLE, Friday.

An important meeting of representatives of proprietors of the northern collieries was held at the Great Northern Hotel this afternoon for the purpose of deciding upon the course of action to be assumed at the conference with the miners' delegates which will take place in Newcastle to-morrow morning. The chair was occupied by Mr. Thomas Croudace, general manager of the Scottish Australian Mining Company. The sitting, which was of a purely private nature, lasted for over two hours, and was eventually adjourned until the evening.

Although the proprietors are extremely reticent in regard to the decision of the meeting, it has transpired that the masters have unanimously resolved to stand by the offer made to the men, and accepted by them some time ago, respecting advances in the selling price of coal and in the hewing rate. The offer in question was embodied in the following resolution, which was adopted at a conference between the masters and men held in November, last:—"That the selling price of coal be raised from January 1 next, 1899, to 8s per ton, and the hewing rate to 3s 2d per ton; and that the other existing arrangements for the working of the respective collieries remain as at present."

TO-DAY.

Sydney Cricket Ground: New South Wales v. South Australia, noon.

Balmoral Beach and Middle Harbour: Steamer Edina leaves No. 4 Jetty, 10.30 a.m. and 2.45 p.m.

Her Majesty's Theatre: "The Forty Thieves," 2 and 7.45 p.m.

Theatre Royal: "When London Sleeps," 8 p.m.

Royal Standard Theatre: "My Partner," 8 p.m.

Palace Theatre: Original Jubilee Singers, 2 and 8 p.m.

Lyceum Theatre: "Maritana," 8 p.m.

Criterion Theatre: "Robbery Under Arms," 8 p.m.

Alhambra, Haymarket, George-street: "The Strategist," 2.30 and 8 p.m.

Tivoli Theatre: Mr. Harry Rickards's Company, 2.30 and 8 p.m.

The Cyclorama and Hall of Illusions: Opposite Redfern Railway Station, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Polytechnic and Bonjeon Ray Exhibition: 82 King-street.

Warwick Farm Races: First race, 2 p.m.

Organ Recital: Town Hall, 8 p.m.

Bondi Aquarium: Open daily.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE DREYFUS CASE.

THE COURT OF CASSATION.

LONDON, Jan. 5.

The Court of Cassation expects to complete its inquiry by the end of January.

ANOTHER LIBEL SUIT.

A COMTESSE FINED.

LONDON, Jan. 5.

The Comtesse de Martel, the authoress, has been fined 5000 francs (£200) for libelling M. Trarieux in connection with the Dreyfus case.

THE FAR EAST.

THE BRITISH SQUADRON.

LONDON, Jan. 5.

H.M.S. Orlando and H.M.S. St. George have been ordered to China.

MERCHANTS IN CHINA.

EXTORTIONS BY MANDARINS.

LONDON, Jan. 5.

Ten Chinese merchant guilds at Amoy, in China, have petitioned the German authorities for naturalisation, owing to the extortions of the mandarins.

BRITISH DEFENCE OF WEI-HAI-WEI.

LONDON, Jan. 6.

Great Britain is purchasing property situated on portion of a leased island domineering Wei-hai-wei harbour.

THE PHILIPPINES.

LONDON, Jan. 6.

The American troops have been ordered to land at Ilo Ilo, the capital of the Island of Panay.

News from Manila says that Senor Montero Rios is negotiating with the insurgents with a view to the release of the Spanish prisoners.

General Otis, the American commander, suspects that Aguinaldo is plotting to attack Manila.

Senator Frye, a member of the United States Senate, has confirmed the report that an absolutely "open-door" is to be maintained in the Philippines.

AMERICA AND MEXICO.

LONDON, Jan. 5.

Mr. P. Clayton, the American politician, has been installed as American Ambassador at Mexico.

Mr. Clayton is the first American Ambassador appointed to Mexico since the execution of the Emperor Maximilian in 1867.

LARGE CANNON IN AMERICA.

BURSTING OF A NEW GUN.

LONDON, Jan. 6.

One of the large steel guns made in Ohio, U.S.A. according to the plans of Dr. Gatling, burst during a trial.

A recent cablegram announced that large cast steel guns, made according to the plans of Dr. Gatling, had been tried in Ohio with astounding results. Artillerists who were present at the trial declared that Dr. Gatling's method would revolutionise the construction of cannon and would reduce the cost by one-half.

THE NIGER TROUBLE.

LONDON, Jan 5.

Samory, the chief of the Sofas, who was captured by Captain Gourand, the leader of the French force on the Niger, has been banished to the Congo.

THE EARL OF HOPETOUN.

LONDON, Jan. 6.

The Earl of Hopetoun, Lord Chamberlain, has been appointed Chancellor of the Royal Victorian Order.

ACCIDENT TO AN AUSTRALIAN BOUND VESSEL.

LONDON, Jan. 5.

The barquentine Spinaway, 346 tons, bound from Moodyville to Fremantle, and which put into Esquimault, has resumed her voyage. She had to jettison 23,000ft. of lumber.

NEW MINING VENTURE.

LONDON, Jan. 5.

The Mount Lyell Comstock Mining Company, Tasmania, has been registered with a capital of £500,000, of which £20,000 is being issued as the working capital. The vendors take 400,000 shares.

RETURNING VICTORIANS.

LONDON, Jan. 5.

The Rev. Mr. Edgar and Major Eddy are returning to Melbourne, the former by the R.M.S. Oceana, and the latter by the Narrung.

AUSTRALIAN RACEHORSES IN ENGLAND.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE SPRING AND SUMMER HANDICAPS.

LONDON, Jan. 6

The following Australian racehorses have been nominated for the principal handicaps, to be run during the early part of the current season:—

Lincoln Spring Meeting.—Lincolnshire Handicap, 1 mile: Uniform, Maluma.

Liverpool Spring Meeting.—Grand National Steeplechase, 4 miles and 856 yards: Levanter. Liverpool Spring Cup, 1 mile 3 furlongs: Newhaven.

Epsom Spring Meeting.—The Great Metropolitan Stakes, 2½ miles: Merman. City and Suburban Handicap, 1¼ mile: Merman, Survivor, Newhaven, Aurum, Uniform, Maluma.

Chester May Meeting.—Chester Cup, 2¼ miles: Merman, Tornado.

Kempton Park May Meeting.—Great Jubilee Stakes, 1 mile: Survivor, Newhaven, Aurum, Uniform, Maluma.

TO COUNTRY RESIDENTS.

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THE SOUDAN.

LORD CROMER AND LORD KITCHENER AT OMDURMAN.

AUDIENCE WITH THE SHEIKS.

IMPORTANT SPEECH BY LORD CROMER.

A VIRTUAL BRITISH PROTECTORATE.

LONDON, Jan. 6.

Lord Cromer, the British Agent and Consul-General at Cairo, who has been created a Viscount, gave an audience yesterday to a number of Sheiks at Omdurman. He was accompanied by Lord Kitchener, Sirdar of the Egyptian army.

In addressing the Sheiks, Lord Cromer congratulated them upon their liberation from the rule of the Khalifa, and said that this relief was due to the skill of the Sirdar and the gallantry of his troops. The British and Egyptian flags, which floated overhead, were an indication that Queen Victoria and the Khedive of Egypt would henceforth govern them through the Sirdar as their sole representative. No attempt would be made to govern them from Cairo, still less from London. The Sheiks must look to the Sirdar alone for justice and good government. Queen Victoria, Lord Cromer added, ruled over more Moslem subjects than any other Sovereign, and all were contented with her beneficent rule. The religion and customs of the Soudan, including the Mohammedan sacred law, would be strictly respected.

Lord Cromer promised that the taxes imposed would be moderate. He urged the promotion of tranquility and industry.

Lord Cromer's speech was warmly approved by his hearers.

COMMENTS BY THE LONDON PRESS.

LONDON, Jan. 6.

The "Times" states that Lord Cromer's speech is the plainest assertion of British sovereign rights in the Soudan that has yet been made.

The "Daily Chronicle" says that the speech amounts to the announcement of a virtual British protectorate. The name of the Sultan of Turkey, it adds, was not mentioned in the speech.

The "Standard" says that nothing would have more shocked the Sheiks than the slightest hint as to the restoration of Ottoman rule.

FIGHTING ON THE BLUE NILE.

FIVE HUNDRED DERVISHES KILLED.

LONDON, Jan. 6.

An Anglo-Egyptian force, under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel D. F. Lewis, has routed a large body of Dervishes led by Fedil, the Khalifa's cousin, at an island near Rosieres, on the Blue Nile, to the south-east of Khartoum.

Five hundred dervishes were killed and 1500 were captured.

The Maxims dislodged Fedil and 300 of his followers from the mainland. Fedil fled.

On the side of the Anglo-Egyptians 27 were killed and 124 wounded. Major Fergusson, one of the British officers, was severely wounded. Six Egyptian officers were also wounded.

THE BATTLE OF OMDURMAN.

ALLEGATIONS AGAINST THE BRITISH FORCE.

A DENIAL BY LORD KITCHENER

LONDON, Jan. 5.

Lord Kitchener telegraphs that the allegations made by the "Westminster Gazette's" correspondent that at the battle of Omdurman the wounded dervishes were killed is a disgraceful libel.

The accusations against the British soldiers have provoked a sensation.

The allegations are generally discredited.

BRITISH TRADE RIGHTS.

THE COBDEN CLUB MANIFESTO.

LONDON, Jan. 5.

In its manifesto, the Cobden Club points out that it is necessary that Great Britain should be prepared to maintain her existing trade rights with respect to territories which other Powers may annex.

QUEENSLAND.

A MYSTERIOUS AFFAIR.

BRISBANE, Friday.

The police are taking steps to investigate another mysterious affair. It appears that on December 10 a lad named Hill, whose father is a saddler, living near Brisbane, left home mounted on a piebald pony to pay a visit to his aunt, residing at a place called Redbank Plains, near the Goodna Lunatic Asylum. The boy's intention was to return home on the Monday, but failing to arrive at his father's house on Tuesday the father the following day proceeded to Redbank Plains, and there learnt that his son had never reached his aunt's residence. Information was at once given to the police. Nothing has been seen or heard of the boy, but a few days since the pony was discovered dead, with a bullet-wound in its forehead. The horse lay among thick bushy scrub, and near by were the remains of a fire and several pieces of roasted flesh. These are being submitted to expert examination for the purpose of determining whether they are human flesh or otherwise. The father of the lad is convinced that harm has been done to his son, as he was not a lad who was likely to leave home. The police are actively taking the matter up. Search parties will to-morrow proceed to the place where the body of the horse was found, which is near Oxley, about 10 miles from the city.

It is very probable that a reduction will shortly be made by the local banks in the selling rate of exchange on London, bringing it into line with that prevailing in the Southern colonies.

During 1898 the number of sequestrations of estates showed a decline of 148 on the previous year's total. There was also a decrease in the number of bills of sale registered.

AULSEBROOK'S
NEW MILK ARROWROOT BISCUITS stand on their merits, and one trial will prove their superiority over all other brands.—Advt.

First round of the Steeplechase at Randwick, a lifelike picture. See this week's "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

VICTORIA.

THE PHILADELPHIA COMMERCIAL MUSEUM.

MELBOURNE, Friday.

Mr. A. C. Green representative of the Philadelphia Commercial Museum, accompanied by Mr. J. Bray, Consul for the United States, waited on the Premier to-day with reference to statistics relating to the production and trade of Victoria being sent to that institution. He also asked that samples of our products might be sent to the museum, as it would perhaps tend to open up direct trade between the United States and Victoria. It was also requested that the Government should be represented at the Commercial Congress, to be held at Philadelphia in October. Sir George Turner expressed pleasure at meeting the visitor, and promised that statistics and books relating to the trade and production of the colony should be forwarded to the institution. The Government would consider the proposal to send a representative to the congress.

THE STEAMER PAROO.

At the meeting of the Marine Board to-day, reports were received from the engineer of survey and inspector of shipping as to the injuries to the propelling gear of the steamship Paroo, and the fire in the steerage of that vessel. It pointed out that the vessel was now under survey for the renewal of her seamship certificate, and that all damage should be made good before the issue of the certificate. It would be advisable to suspend the certificate till the repairs were effected. The suspension of the certificate was confirmed accordingly.

THE DERWENT-MAHINAPUA COLLISION.

The recent collision between the steamships Derwent and Mahinapua, in the river Yarra, came again before the Marine Board to-day, Messrs. C. Taylor and H. Belfrage submitted evidence which plainly showed that the accident occurred through the captain of the Derwent preferring to run the risk of running into a stationary vessel at the wharf rather than endanger life by fouling some rowing boats. The whole question was referred to an expert committee.

THE STEAMER ALLINGA.

The Marine Board has agreed to rescind the resolution passed at its meeting on October 28, that a charge of careless navigation be preferred against William Johnson Simpson, captain of the Allinga. The board resolved that in view of all the circumstances of the case Captain Simpson be called upon to appear before them to receive a caution for the manner in which he navigated the Allinga in the river Yarra on October 10, and that thereafter no further proceedings be taken by the board in connection with the matter.

FROZEN MEAT FOR PORTUGUESE EAST AFRICA.

A reply was received to-day by the Minister for Agriculture from a firm at Beira, in Portuguese East Africa, which asked for a quotation for the supply every three months for 100 tons of frozen beef and mutton, saying that it was prepared to consider the quotation for the delivery of the meat at Natal, the nearest port at which Australian steamers call. Mr. Taverner has asked two firms, which interviewed him a few days ago, to furnish him with a quotation for delivery at Natal. He will have them called to Beira in the hope that it may lead to business being done.

Several splendid samples of Victorian fruits preserved in syrup in glass-bottles, with patent air-tight stoppers, have been forwarded to the Minister of Agriculture from the Goulburn Valley and Lilydale districts, for transmission to the Greater Britain Exhibition.

In regard to the recent increase in the wages of carpenters and bricklayers, as agreed to by the members of the Builders and Contractors' Association, the officers of the Public Works Department state that the Government will pay the artisans it employs on daily wage the current rates given by other employers of labour.

The handsome carved pulpit in Chalmers Church, Eastern Hill, which passed into the possession of the Sisters of Charity when they recently bought the building and grounds, has been generously transferred as a gift by the Mother Superioress of St. Vincent's Hospital to Mrs. Bon, a prominent member of the Presbyterian Church at Mansfield, who in turn has presented the pulpit to the Mansfield Presbyterian Church.

The directors of the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company have under consideration a request from a conference of representatives of various municipalities that each tram route be divided into sections, and the passengers charged per section.

At the meeting of the Marine Board to-day a communication was received with reference to the recent detention of the steamer Zulu at this port by reason of the improper stowage of the deck cargo of coals. The detention had been complained of as harsh and harassing, especially as the steamer had been allowed to leave Sydney with her deck cargo of coals, but the report which was adopted stated that the detention was necessary, and regretted that the steamer was not detained by the Sydney authorities.

At the South Melbourne Court to-day three men named John Taylor, Michael M'Guinness, and John Brown were convicted of having uncustomed clothing in their possession. Each was fined £100, which was reduced to £25.

The reward offered by the Government for the conviction of the author of the murder of the woman whose body was found in a box in the Yarra has been increased to £500, and a further reward of £50 is offered for the identification of the body.

THE AUSTRIAN IMMIGRANTS.

THE QUESTION STILL UNDECIDED.

There are now between 40 and 50 Austrian immigrants in Sydney who are unable, except upon conditions that will not be fulfilled, to obtain passages to New Zealand owing to the action of the Premier of that colony (Mr. Seddon) in forcibly preventing the landing of men of foreign nationality whose maintenance for three months after arrival in the colony is not guaranteed. Mr. Lohmann, of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, informed a "Herald" reporter yesterday that Herr Kennemann, who is acting as Austrian Consul in Sydney, had cabled to the Vienna authorities stating that five Austrians were refused the right to land in New Zealand, and asking the Austrian Government to communicate with Mr. Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, requesting him to make representations to Mr. Seddon in regard to the matter.

Mr. Lohmann further stated that, as the result of inquiries, he had ascertained that there was no Immigration Restriction Act in force in New Zealand. As there was no law, therefore, to debar the men from landing there, he had caused a letter to be written to the Union Company intimating that under the Common Carriers Act the company must take passengers to New Zealand as desired by the management of the North-German Lloyd Company.

The Austrians who arrived by the Koenigin Luise are not in destitute circumstances. It has transpired that they each have at least several pounds in money.

The correspondence which has passed between Mr. Seddon and Mr. Lohmann upon the whole question became at one time somewhat acrimonious. The former sent a cable to the effect that he had been informed the shipping companies were responsible for bringing the Austrians from their native land. Mr. Lohmann, after questioning the Premier's alleged informant, sent an indignant protest against such an allegation. It was regarded as a reflection upon the North German Lloyd Company, which had nothing whatever to do with enticing the men away from their homes. The "breeze" was calmed by the following cable which was received from the Premier:—"I am pleased to have your denial."

The difficulty still remains unaltered, and unless the illegality of the position of the New Zealand Government can be demonstrated to general satisfaction, either legal proceedings in this colony or a communication of some character from the home authorities may be expected. It appears that the efforts of the Austrian Consul in New Zealand to arrange for the landing of the excluded men have so far not been successful.

AUCKLAND, Friday.

There is every likelihood of legal proceedings being taken against the Government in connection with the detention of two Austrians who arrived by the Waihora. They have taken legal advice, and have been advised to proceed against the Government for false imprisonment. The men have not yet decided what steps to take. Nothing further has transpired with reference to the attitude of the Government, and no reply has been received to the message sent by the Austrian Consul to Vienna.

INFLUENZA HERE AGAIN.
Coleman's Eucalypto Extract blocks it right away. Five drops on sugar every three hours breaks it up effectively and leaves no complications.—Advtl.

"All Sales, and the Forty Thieves," illustrated in this week's "Sydney Mail." Price, Sixpence. All Agents.—Advt.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

FEDERATION.

ADELAIDE, Friday.

The Cabinet meets on Monday, when probably Mr. Reid's letter in reference to the proposed conference of Premiers will be dealt with. A meeting of nine ex-delegates, Dr. Cockburn being absent, was held to-day to discuss the New South Wales amendments, but it is understood that no resolutions were arrived at. The question of allowing Queensland representation at the conference was discussed.

Mr. Jones, M.B., organist at Brougham-place Congregational Church, North Adelaide, has been offered the organistship of St. Mary's Catholic Cathedral, Sydney. It is improbable that he will accept.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

PORT DARWIN, Friday

Two aborigines, named Coppering and Mabaloora, have been arrested by a police party in charge of Inspector Feeleche. They were tried on Saturday last for the murder of Messrs. Moore and M'Kenzie, and were committed for trial.

TASMANIA.

LAUNCESTON, Friday.

Lord and Lady Brassey and suite passed through Zeehan to-day, en route for Burnie. They stay to-night at Rosebery.

The secretary of the Emu Bay railway has gone to Hobart to make arrangements for a daily mail overland.

Sir Philip Fysh goes to the west coast to-morrow, to personally inspect the mines before proceeding to London take up the Agent-Generalship.

THE GATTON TRAGEDY.

BRISBANE, Friday.

There were no new developments to-day in connection with the Gatton outrage. The police force was augmented to-day for the purpose of enlarging the scope of the investigations. It has been ascertained that the object of searching the sand at the scene of the murder was to find a brooch belonging to one of the girls, which is missing. The opinion is becoming general that Michael Murphy was shot with a rifle.

The authorities are dividing the district into sections and apportioning a number of men to each section. This means a thorough investigation of the locality. To-day the police and the black trackers visited the waterholes near the scene of the murder, and were engaged in careful examinations all the morning, but without success. Others were out making inquiries in several directions. A large number of persons still visit the scene of the murder, some driving long distances. A bush fire occurred to-day in an adjoining paddock, but it is not expected to affect the search.

SAMOAN AFFAIRS.

THE SITUATION CRITICAL.

FIGHTING EXPECTED.

AUCKLAND, Friday.

The procedure for the election of the King of Samoa began before the Chief Justice on December 19, and his Honor's decision was expected to be given on December 29 or 30. When the Taviuni, which arrived here to-night, left Apia on the 28th, a very excited feeling existed among the natives, and it was rumoured that fighting would take place the following day.

At the opening of the Court his Honor produced an agreement which he had drawn up binding both sides to abide by the decision of the Court. The Malietoa chiefs agreed to sign, but the Mataafa chiefs refused. It is stated that the Chief Justice has been threatened, and that a party of natives surrounded his house in the middle of the night, causing his family great alarm. It has been explained, however, that the natives really went to protect him, owing to threats which had come to their knowledge.

The American and British Consuls have issued proclamations stating that the flags of their respective countries have been hoisted over the private residences of the Chief Justice, and the protection of their Governments extended to him and the members of his family.

THE QUESTION OF SUCCESSION.

By the steamer Hauroto, which reached Sydney yesterday morning from the South Sea Islands, there arrived two rev. Fathers connected with the Marist Mission. To a representative of the "Herald" they explained that when the steamer left Samoa on December 26 last the arguments in favour of the rival claimants to the throne had not been concluded, although the Chief Justice had been engaged in the hearing some 10 days. The Mataafa party, relying on the strength of their following, were without the services of an advocate, and in advancing their claims occupied the attention of the Court for upwards of a week. The supporters of Malieton's son engaged the services of a professional advocate, and at the time of the boat's departure were engaged in the endeavour to prove to the Court their nominee had the legitimate right of succession. It was expected that the Chief Justice would give his decision on the 29th or 30th of last month, so by now the matter, so far as the Court is concerned, is no doubt settled. It was a significant fact that Mataafa's supporters, who number some 20,000 of the native population, while the Malietoa and Tamasese following combined only numbers 4000, rely upon a verdict in their favour, more particularly as compared in that large majority are the chiefs of the four districts which alone have the right to vote in the election of a ruler. On the other hand, amongst the chiefs supporting the claims of Malieton's son, not one has a vote in the selection of a king. To further show how strongly Samoan opinion favours the claims of Mataafa, it was stated that when the question of succession first arose, each aspiring party gathered together their supporters, and it was particularly noted that from Savai 21 huge native boats, each holding upwards of 100, there being 60 ours, conveyed during the first week a large support to Mataafa, while one boat alone bore those supporting the claim of the late King's son. A few weeks later the Mataafa party was much strengthened by the arrival of 32 additional boats of equal dimensions, and carrying their full complement of natives. There is but little doubt, therefore, in the minds of the Samoans themselves as to who is the choice of the people most inter

before that body at its meeting on January 11 with a view of securing the council's intercession with the Commissioners on behalf of the owners of starving stock, and impressing upon the Commissioners the necessity of even running railways at actual cost in the present critical condition of the pastoral industry.

The balance in hand to the local hospital totals £100.

The sum of £120 has been subscribed towards the erection of a cottage hospital at Wee Waa.

Much satisfaction is expressed regarding the publication of the evening edition of the "Herald."

The Rev. G. A. Gordon, of the Presbyterian Church, who has accepted a call to Bowral, leaves on Monday.

NEW ANGLEDOOL, Friday.

The drought continues here with unabated severity. The Narran is almost dry.

ROBERTSON, Friday.

The rabbits have made their appearance in this district. Three have been seen in the paddocks at Erilly Vale.

SINGLETON, Friday.

The vital statistics for the past year show:—Births, males 111, females 128; deaths, males 54, females 38; marriages, 42.

Hawkers' licenses were granted to 17 Assyrians at the police court on Wednesday.

The formation of a progress committee is mooted at Branxton in order to secure greater attention to the needs of that portion of the district.

Nominations for the Northern Rifle Association closed on Wednesday. For president Lieutenant-Colonel Rainsford and Mr. R. Faulkner, J.P., are nominated. For vice-presidents (eight to be elected) Majors Gould and Sloan, Captains Langwill, Bowman, and Scobie, Messrs. Pratt, Creighton, Brown, Morgan, R. H. Dangar, Allen, Townsfield, and Mutton. For 18 members of council 24 are nominated: and Messrs. Simmons, M'Grogan, and M'Dougall are nominated for auditors.

The following ladies and gentlemen have been elected officers and committee of the Singleton and District Benevolent Somety for the current year:—President, Mr. A. A. Dangar; vice-presidents, Mrs. A. J. Gould and Mr. J. Keef; treasurer, Mr. A. B. Shaw; hon. secretary, Mrs. T. H. Moore; committee, Mesdames Warburton, Grainger, Shelton, J. Moore, Gale, Ash, York, Hobden, A. C. Robinson, Broomfield, Messrs. T. H. Moore, D. M'Dougall, A. Simmons, F. Huston, A. Grainger, A. Dawes, J. Falkiner, W. Densley, T. K. Smith, G. B. Lloyd; auditors, Messrs. Coughlan and Wragg.

TAMWORTH, Friday.

Mr. Wade, engineer from the Works Department, arrived this morning to inspect the gravitation pipe line of water supply, serious leaks having been reported in the pipes.

Superintendent Webb will visit Tamworth next week to report on the best means of utilising the water supply for fire extinction, and also the reorganisation of the fire brigade.

WAGGA, Friday.

A homestead selection of 411 acres within Ghilvagumbahn and Tooyal resumed areas was made available yesterday. There were 13 applicants. Alfred Armstrong, of Tongala, Victoria, being successful. The following amounts were collected at Wagga Lands Office during the last quarter:—Improvements on conditional purchases, £77 16s 4d; auction sales, £596 3s 11d; deposits and rents of conditional leases, £498 0s 7d; deposits and rents of homestead leases, £145 2s 2d; deposits and rents of homestead selections, £4959 0s 11d; deposits and rents of settlement leases, £82 13s 4d; sale of improvement leases, £276 5s 10d; licenses, lithographs, &c., £8 13s 6d; conditional purchase transfer fees, £35 11s; deposits, conditional purchases, £680 18s 3d; int rest and instalments, conditional purchases, £1084 1s 5d; deposits, special leases, £37 0s 10d; total, £8738 8s 1d.

The treasurer of the Wagga Hospital has received from the Government a special grant of £100 towards purchasing surgical instruments for the use of the institution.

Mr. Gormly, M.L.A., in response to representations made by him, has been assured by the Minister for Lands that special leniency will be shown to homestead and other selectors who, by reason of the drought, are in arrears with rents or instalments. In many cases also it is feared that application will have to be made to the Government for the advance of seed wheat for the next sowing, as some holdings are without crops at all, and several selectors are in extremities.

Peculiar deaths of cattle are reported from Tarcutta. Some 25 beasts, apparently in excellent condition, have died suddenly. The cause of death is not known.

WALGETT, Thursday.

The ambulance class in connection with St. John Ambulance Association, which has been conducted by Dr. F. H. Cox, was examined last night by Dr. F. C. Higgins. The following candidates passed:—Christopher Brackley, A. Cohen, J. Doohan, Frank Ford, W. H. Hayley, H. Stubbs, T. Speed, and F. L. Wyndham.

WEST MAITLAND, Friday.

A largely attended meeting was held at St. John's School this evening to consider the idea of holding a monster sports meeting on the Albion Ground on St. Patrick's Day. The Rev. E. J. Gleeson presided, and the meeting resolved itself into a committee to arrange for the sports.

WINDSOR, Friday.

Over 2000 bags of potatoes were loaded at the local railway stations yesterday, whilst a large quantity could not be sent away. There was a scramble for trucks at the station here, and considerable difficulty was experienced in preventing the ordered trucks from being rushed. The fall in the market price has caused some anxiety. Several farmers in the district have had as much as all acres per crop this season. One resident, who merely furnished the land with which to plant seed, took as his half-share of what the crop realised (35 tons) £53. Those who naturally potatoes averaged as high as £52 per acre as their return.

Phenomenal tides are being experienced in the Hawkesbury at Wisemán's Ferry.

Pending the settlement of the difficulty which has arisen between the Windsor Borough Council and the local Gas Company, the latter has agreed to continue the lighting of street lamps at the old terms during the present month.

Mr. Thomas John and Mrs. Ann Search, two Australian natives, the former born at Pennant Hills and the latter at Richmond, have just celebrated their one hundredth birthdays. Both are physically and mentally vigorous, but St. John's only defective sense being that of hearing.

ANIMALS' PROTECTION SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the Animals' Protection Society of New South Wales was held at their rooms, 355 George-street, on the 4th instant. The president (Mr. J. de V. Lamb) occupied the chair, and the following members were present:—Messrs. P. N. Treboek, W. W. Stephen, and the hon. treasurer (Mr. W. H. Rothe).

A detailed report of the official tour of the secretary (Mr. F. Montague Rodgers) in the western districts in connection with certain alleged cruelty to horses was read and considered most satisfactory, and the council expressed their thanks to the gentleman who had assisted in defraying the expenses of the trip.

The overloading of 'buses was again considered by the meeting, and the suggestion by the hon. treasurer that the additional horse should be added to all two-horse 'buses during the hours when the traffic was heaviest (and well known to 'bus proprietors) was approved, and will be brought before the notice of the Transit Commissioners immediately. Inspector E. G. Williams submitted his report for the month of December, showing that 23 cases had been dealt with, which were principally cautions; and in accordance with the rule of the society at the Christmas season the poultry dealers received special attention.

PASTORAL INTELLIGENCE.

ALBURY, Thursday.

Stock movements:—5160 merino ewes and 410 rams, Bringagee to Burra, trustees of A. J. Learmonth owners; 600 fat sheep, Mundiwindera to Broadwater; S. and A. Company, 7700 mixed sheep, Kooba to Tabletop, Jas. Mitchell; 224 store cattle, Tumut to Echuca, John Stokes; 300 merino wethers, Coolamon to Bungowannah, N. Palmer; 9000 sheep, Lower Riverina to Pullitop, W. Richardson.

INVERELL, Friday.

Stock passings are:—1600 sheep, from Arawatta to Glen Innes, Ogilvey owner; 1000 sheep, from Staunifer to Strathmore, Gum Flat, W. Boothwick owner; 51 head horses, from St. George (Queensland) to Armidale, Southerland and Gunthorpe owners.

MOREE, Thursday.

The following stock passings are recorded:—207 cattle, Bonanga to Ravensworth, F. and A. Glennie owners; 1526 mixed sheep, Palaby to Welche, J. M'Brien owner; 323 mixed sheep, Pine Ridge, Mungindi, to Armidale, W. A. Leding-ham owner; 600 fat wethers, Boonaldoon to Riverstone, Richards and Sons owners; 42 horses, Binneguy to Glen Innes, executors of Mrs. Baldwin owners; 63 cattle, Kingsgrove to Mungindi, J. M'Garry owner; 20 horses, Walbon to Maitland, George Kelen owner; 29 bullocks, Moree to Maitland, George Mitchell owner; 15 bullocks and 15 horses, Prestonvale to Maitland, J. M'Mahon owner; 8 horses, Banglee to Maitland, E. H. Jamnins owner; 7000 sheep and 10 horses, Terlunga to Walcha, Hill Brothers owners; 187 rams, Bunarba to Flemington, Mrs. Payne owner; 2500 mixed sheep, Fishmy to Welbon, W. J. Woods owner; 800 mixed cattle, Moree to Tamworth, James Dwyer owner; 80 mixed cattle, Yarraman to Tamworth, John Dameron owner; 10 horses, Gwyderfield to Tamworth, E. Gall owner 23 horses and 12 cattle, Tycanah to Tamworth, W. Gall owner; 117 mixed cattle, Combadello to Singleton, Moses Brothers owners; 83 cattle, Dowra to Farley, H. J. Gelmartin owner.

OBERON, Thursday.

Stock movements:—5300 sheep passed here to-day from Hay, and are going to Shooter's Hill to graze. They were in charge of J. A. Green.

The following is the report of the Benevolent Asylum for the week ended January 4:—Provisions distributed: 2361 loaves bread, 1506lb. flour, 2400lb. meat, 1018lb. sugar, 2593lb. tea, 98lb. sago, 1635lb. rice, 811lb. oatmeal. There were 12 fresh applications for and 11 renewals of relief. Cases reported by the inspectors 124, in 35 cases the relief was discontinued, 5 in cases money withheld. Total number of cases relieved 956, representing 3028 adults and children.

"The Rural Industries of New Zealand," an interesting article by "Lana." See this week's "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

To Grocers and Storekeepers.—W. C. Douglass and Co., 524 Kent-street, Sydney, for Salt and Tinned Fish. New catch now landing. Moir's, &c.—Advt.

NEWCASTLE.

ANNUAL GATHERING OF ODDFELLOWS

NEWCASTLE, Friday.

The annual meeting of the Newcastle District Independent Order of Oddfellows, Manchester Unity, was held at Platsburg on Wednesday. The Grand master, Bro. A. Patrick, presided, and the whole of the local lodges were represented. The annual report shows that the total receipts to the funeral fund amounted to £703 17s 2d, interest on capital, £222 18s 6d; total income, £926 15s 8d. Expenditure—funeral donations £895, leaving credit on year's transactions of £21 1s 8d. The total credit to the funeral fund on December 31, 1898, was £7478 0s 3d, and to management fund £12 13s 11d. The election of officers resulted as follows:—Grandmaster, Alex. Thornton; Deputy Grandmaster, Thomas Edmunds; auditors, Messrs. F. G. Crofts and F. W. East; representatives to attend the next annual conference, Messrs. Woolston and Patrick. A motion to expend the sum of £30 on a new banner was rejected.

THE COAL EXPORT TRADE.

The quantity of coal exported to foreign and intercolonial ports during the week ended this afternoon totalled 44,600 tons, as compared with 28,968 tons last week—an increase of 15,632 tons. The distribution was as follows:—Victoria, 11,500 tons; Tasmania, 2490 tons; Western Australia, 5260 tons; Singapore, 3527 tons; Mauritius, 1570 tons; Peru, 1763 tons; New Zealand, 2800 tons; India, 752 tons; Queensland, 600 tons; United States, 1945 tons; South Australia, 7500 tons; Chili, 3943 tons; ships' use, 400 tons. Total, 44,600 tons.

THE WOOL INDUSTRY.

The quantity of wool received at Newcastle for direct shipment to London during the week ended to-day was 940 bales, making a total of 51,727 bales received since the commencement of the season, as compared with 45,535 bales at the corresponding date of last year—an increase of 6192 bales. In addition to the foregoing 7154 bales have passed through Newcastle, of which 3260 were consigned to Sydney and 1758 to Melbourne. The steamer Buteshire has sailed since last report for London with 2458 bales, and the steamer Aberdeen has left with 910 bales. The steamer Port Elliott arrived to-day from Port Pirie to load about 1000 bales of wool for London.

The City Coroner, Mr. G. C. Martin, J.P., conducted an inquest at the Clarendon Hotel to-day on the body of Mr. Frederick Colman, a member of the firm of Messrs. John Lee and Co., of Maitland, who died suddenly under peculiar circumstances at Hamilton on Wednesday last. The evidence tended to show that when the deceased left Maitland for Newcastle early on the morning in question he was in his usual state of health. During the journey he was seized with illness of an alarming nature, and upon the arrival of the train at Hamilton he was conveyed to a private house, where he shortly afterwards died. The medical evidence was to the effect that death was due to an irritant poison. The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical testimony, and added that there was no evidence to show by whom the poison had been administered.

An organ recital was given by Mr. A. J. Mills at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Wednesday night. Vocal selections were contributed by a number of prominent amateurs.

Captain William Davey delivered a lecture at the Junction Mechanics' Institute last night on Australian ladies, figures, and formation. The chair was occupied by Mr. John Dixon, F.G.S., Government Inspector of Collieries.

Operations at the Government hydraulic cranes at the dyke have been on a fairly active scale during the past week, the average daily output having been 8000 tons.

LATE MINING.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN MINING.

KALGOORLIE, Friday.

The December output of the Croesus Proprietary was as follows:—Tons mined, 78, for 27oz. 12dwt. 12gr. gold. The crosscut at the 300ft. level of this mine is now in a distance of 270ft., and at present is being carried through highly mineralised country.

The lode recently met with at the 950ft. level in the main shaft of Hannan's Oroya has been cut into the east, and still covers the bottom of the shaft. Sinking on the lode is proceeding, and when pierced it will be driven upon. Sinking the shaft is also to be continued simultaneously.

At Hannan's Reward the lode at the 500ft. level is being driven upon north, but so far the ore is of very poor grade.

At the Australia lease of the Associated Gold Mines the erection of the new sulphide plant is being rapidly pushed ahead. High-grade ore continues in the face of the crosscut at the 350 and 500 feet levels of Tetley's shaft. The work of bagging and despatching rich ore to the eastern colonies is still in progress, and a further parcel, making the fourth in three months, will be sent to Melbourne this week. The returns of the last two parcels of 1000 tons and 1000 tons respectively, despatched to the smelting works for treatment, are not yet to hand. The total gold contents of these two shipments are estimated to be nearly 30,000oz. The December output of gold from the oxidised mill on the mine will be known early next week. The south drive of the 200ft. level on the Australia East Block is now within a few feet of the Oroya Boundary. The lode is about 40ft. wide, and ore having a uniform value of 3oz. to the ton is showing for the full width of the drive.

KANOWNA, Friday.

On the Moonlight lead good developments are daily occurring. A slag weighing 23lwt. was found yesterday in the wash in Brodie's claim. Good wash was also met with yesterday, in the second claim north of the prospectors'. The value of the wash is said to be over 4oz. to the ton.

NORSEMAN, Friday.

The clean-up of the Edwards Norseman mine for December was:—Stone treated, 220 tons; yield, 266oz. 10dwt. 12gr. gold. One ton of ore from the Ben Accord lease, crushed at Bevilaqua's battery, yielded 10oz. 15dwt. gold. In addition, 6lb. of quartz specimens were treated for 6oz. 12dwt. The recent irregularity of the crushing returns for the Edwards-Norseman mine is due to the limited quantity of ore available. When a little more opening-up work has been done, the battery will be employed more regularly. The Ben Accord lease was formerly held by an Adelaide company, but was forfeited during the past year for non-payment of rent. Subsequently it was taken up by a party of working miners, who have since treated the following parcels:—2cwt. of stone for 7oz. 9dwt. 12gr. gold; 1 ton for 18oz. 15dwt.; and 10lb. for 6dwt. The latter consist of quartz taken from the new find south of Trig Hill, near the Princess Royal mine have been carefully tested with satisfactory results.

OBERON, Friday.

A contract has been let for carrying 160 tons of quartz from the Black Bullock mine to Tarana railway station.

PAMBULA, Friday.

The adjourned hearing of the case M'Kinnery v. Falkner Gold-mining Company was continued to-day in the Warden's Court. The most delicate point hinged upon whether an amalgamation of two or more mining leases constituted a partnership as between the owners of the leases, and a division of the gold won, or whether amalgamation was simply to facilitate working the ground, without giving the holders any benefit in other than the original leases held by each. In the instance the Great Victory lease was amalgamated with a lease adjoining held by Mr. M'Kinnery. Subsequently the Great Victory struck rich stone and amalgamated with the Falkner's Company. Mr. M'Kinnery now claims a fourth full interest of the whole, on the basis of acreage, but on the ground that he has been ignored by defendant company. Warden Hales has reserved judgment until next court, to be held on February 9.

SOFALA, Thursday.

The monthly escort left this morning with 349 ounces of gold. Good progress is being made with the dredge in course of construction here.

ANNIVERSARY REGATTA.

A meeting of the Anniversary Regatta Committee was held at the Australia Hotel, Dr. A. Burns presiding. A communication was read from his Excellency the Governor accepting the office of patron, and stating that he would be pleased to accept the committee's invitation to be present on board the flagship. The Mayor of Sydney wrote accepting the position of president; and correspondence was also read from the following gentlemen accepting office as vice-presidents, viz.:—Sir James Martin, Dr. A. MacCormick, Major-General French, Hon. George Thornton, Hon. C. J. Roberts, Messrs. S. Hordern, E. W. Knox, A. A. Griffiths, W. H. Beuson, and W. M. Cameron. The on saretaries announced that arrangements had been made with the Nordenfeuctcher Lloyd Company for the services of their fine steamer Kooigin Luise as flagship on the same terms as last year. The rowing and sailing sub-committees submitted their respective reports regarding races, times of starting, and prizes, both reports being unanimously adopted. The following officials were appointed, viz.:—Rowing: Starter, Mr. King Giltinan; umpire, Mr. Q. L. Deloitte; judge, Mr. W. H. Palmer; handicappers, Messrs. J. Blackman, F. C. Williams, and R. R. Ferrier; rowing sub-committee, Messrs. Palmer, Heilman, Pearson, Horniman, Fitzsimons, Williams, Blackman, Bourne, Ferries, and Wiseman. Sailing: Starter, Mr. George Hellings; judge, Hon. W. R. Campbell; timekeepers, Messrs. Alexander Kennerney, F. G. Horsey, and F. P. Eng. Entries for all events will close finally on Wednesday evening, January 18.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

POLICE CLUB.

The prize-winners in the Police Rifle Club's com petition for the last quarter were:—

Constable Smith, 88, 86 (handicap 6)—120; Constable Green, 85, 89 (handicap 1)—115; Constable Lumlop, 45, 46 (handicap 13)—115; Constable Buzzacott, 90, 83 (scratch) —113; Constable Scott, 85, 81 (scratch)—111; Constable Herbert, 87, 46 (handicap 8)—111; Constable M'Arthur, 80, 86 (scratch)—110; Constable Vidler, 84, 86 (handicap 8)—109; Constable Hamilton, 81, 19 (handicap 25)—104.

View of Sydney Harbour from Dawes Point in 1838 and in 1899, an interesting comparison. See this week's "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

Ensure Health, Wealth, and Happiness by drinking Nicholls's Non-alcoholic Tasmanian Dandelion Ale.—Advt.

AMUSEMENTS.

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

There will be the customary afternoon performance at Her Majesty's Theatre to-day, on which occasion it is pretty certain that the juvenile portion of the audience will hail the Donkey as the hero of "The Forty Thieves." It is in the beautiful scene showing the mountain glade outside the cave that the donkey (Mr. Hassan) especially shines. The Forty Thieves in gorgeous apparel, followed by the redoubtable Abdallah (Miss Opie), disappear behind the brazen gates to the strains of pompous music, and it is after Ganem (Miss Pattie Browne) has pronounced the "Open Sesame" that the donkey makes the fun fast and furious. His flight into the farthest recesse of a stage box, as a negative response to the suggestion that he should explore the cave, and his subsequent foolhardy excursion to the promised land, with his immediate return in a series of somersaults and a blaze of fireworks, never fail to convulse the audience with laughter. So far "The Forty Thieves" continues to draw crowded houses.

Mr. J. C. Williamson has fixed the date of the sagacity antimpated production of "The Geisha," at Her Majesty's Theatre for "about February 4."

CRITERION THEATRE.

The last nights of "Robbery Under Arms" are announced at the Criterion Theatre, as Mr. Alfred Dampier will make his final appearance in the Australian drama next Thursday. The piece will then have enjoyed a run of 47 performances, which may be noted as a record run for an Australian revival. Next Friday evening Mr. Alfred Dampier will appear in "Hamlet," in which great character he has not been seen since the odd days of his regular "Shakespearian Friday evenings," now some years ago. Entirely new scenery is being painted for "Hamlet," and a series of elaborate tableaux have also been prepared for "His Natural Life." Mr. Dampier will stage his own version of Marcus Clark's novel, as authorised by Mrs. Clark, next Saturday evening.

THEATRE ROYAL.

"Whilst London Sleeps" continues to draw large audiences at the Theatre Royal, owing no doubt to the changeful character of the scenic effects, upon which Mr. Charles Holloway has bestowed great care. Twice is the mush-persecuted heroine in peril of her life through fire. One popular sensational situation is that in which the villain sets alight to an attic in which Queenie is confined, obliging her to escape with her child to the roof above, where a wide view of London by night forms the background for her daring walk along the telegraph wires to a place of safety. Again a thrill is afforded in the scene in which Queenie is surrounded by flames at the foot of the colossal Indian idol, upon her rescue from which the curtain finally falls.

LYCEUM THEATRE.

At the Lyceum Theatre the revival of "Maritana" shows every appearance of catching on with the public. The opera itself is one of the most popular in the English repertoire, and Mme. Lilian Tree is very happy in the title part. Special interest attaches to the production as Mme. Rivers Allpress has brought chorus and orchestra up to a reasonable degree of proficiency. No chance will be required at the Lyceum for some time yet, but the Messrs. Macmahon announce that "The Bohemian Girl" is in preparation.

PALACE THEATRE.

M'Adoo's Jubilee Singers continue to present a succession of bright entertainments at the Palace Theatre, where there will be the usual matinee this afternoon. Strong points in the programme are the droll tumbling feats of Mr. Jerry Mills and the really extraordinary juggling of Jaiwan. Whilst the Jubilee Singers still maintain their reputation for such quaint choruses as "Mary and Martha," "Just Come Along," and "Did Not Old Pharoah Get Lost," their part-songs also include such vivacious numbers as "The Blue Danube" vocal waltz and "Morning is Breaking." New songs are introduced by Madame M'Adoo, Miss Susie Anderson, Mr. Hamilton Hodges, and other leading members of the company. Concert-goers will be glad to hear of the complete restoration to health of Mr. Orpheus M'Adoo, who arrived in Sydney from Melbourne yesterday.

TIVOLI THEATRE.

This afternoon and again in the evening there will be a change of programme at the Tivoli Theatre, where Miss Peggy Pryde will sing "Ita," "Not There," "The Lily of Laguna," Mr. Fred. Poplar's numbers will include "Kindness Regarded," and "The Ills in Life Down;" and the Sisters Phillips and Brothers Lorenzi will repeat their laughable sketch, "In a Terrible Storm." Messrs. C. Cogill, Pope and Sayles, Ajax, Wallace King, and other members of Mr. Harry Rickards's company will assist in the entertainment.

ALHAMBRA THEATRE.

In consequence of the success of "The Strategist" at the Alhambra Theatre, Messrs. Percy St. John and W. J. Wilson will continue the run of the piece throughout the coming week. This afternoon there will be a matinee performance. Mr. Frank Thornton is the musical director. "The Strategist," in which farcical comedy his laughable changes of character as the disguised Jack Ruskill way is dictated hilarious laughter.

TOWN HALL ORGAN RECITALS.

The city organist will give a recital at the Town Hall to-night, when his programme will include favourite selections from the "Hymn of Praise," "Carmen," "La Juive," "La Reine de Chypre," and other well-known works.

TOWN HALL POPULAR CONCERTS.

Mr. Philip Newbury, having returned from Melbourne, has arranged for the resumption of the Saturday popular concerts which he carried on for so many years at the Town Hall last year. The first concert of the new farewell series will be give next Saturday, when Mme. Emily Spada and Mr. Newbury will sing duets from "La Traviata" and "Romeo and Juliet." The plan is at Paling's.

CONCERT AT CANTERBURY.

A reunion in connection with the Canterbury Literary and Debating Society was held in the Canterbury Town Hall on Thursday evening. There was a good attendance. The Mayor, Alderman R. R. Lorking, J.P., presided. The following contributed to the programme of instrumental items, recitations, and songs:—Misses Dennies, Lucas, Woodley, Lorking, Mesdames Ferris, Lindsay Browne, and Messrs. Hamilton Carrington. Special items were attached to the rendering of a scene from the "Lady of Lyons" and "The Brahma's Paradise," by Mrs. Lindsay Browne.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

From Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner, and Co.—"The Epic of Humanity," edited by "An Apologist."

From Messrs. Thacker and Co.—"The Snaffle Papers," by "Snaffle."

From Mr. Arnold.—"Notes from a Diary in Asiatic Turkey," by Lord Warkworth, M.P.; "Moonlicet" by J. Meade Falkner.

From Mr. Frowde.—"The More Excellent Way, Words of Counsel for Life of Love," compiled by the Hon. Mrs. Lyttelton Gell.

From Mr. Fisher Unwin.—"Love is not so Light," by Constance Catterell; "Invalid Cookery," by M. A. Bland.

From Mr. Whitcombe and Tombs (Dunedin).—"Short Studies in Shakespeare," by A. Wilson, M.A.

From Messrs. Smith, Elder, and Co.—"Bismarck," translated by A. J. Butler, 2 vols.; "Charles Lamb and the Lloyds," by E. V. Lucas.

From Messrs. Angus and Robertson.—"Handbook for Literary and Debating Societies," by Laurence M. Gibson; "Was Christ Born at Bethlehem?" by W. M. Ramsay; "Ulfilas," by Rev. Llewellyn, D.D.," by his Sisters (Rudder and Stoughton).

From Messrs. Macmillan and Co.—"The Gospel Writ in Steel," by Arthur Paterson, author of the "Man from Snowy River."

EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

The last of a series of meetings in connection with the universal week of prayer of the Evangelical Alliance was held at the Y.M.C.A. Hall last night, when there was a good attendance. The Rev. F. E. Harry, President of the Baptist Union, presided, and delivered an address upon the topic of the evening, "Foreign Missions." The gospel, he said, would never adequately triumph until God's people were consecrated and controlled and guided by the Holy Spirit. There was pleasure in the larger gifts, and for an intenser love for Christ on the part of God's people, and for more persistent and earnest prayer.

The Rev. R. Dey announced that the annual meeting of the alliance would be held on Tuesday, January 24, and addresses would be delivered and reports submitted on the work of the alliance during the year. Its object was to bring Christian people into closer unity with one another, so that the work might prosper. A devotional service followed, in which special references were made to the condition of the aborigines and petitions offered on their behalf.

WOOLLAHRA HOUSE.

Yesterday a company of gentleman was invited by the agents to visit Woollahra House, Point Piper, which, the property of Mr. W. C. Cooper. Woollahra, the property of Mr. W. C. Cooper. Woollahra, about a dozen accepted the invitation. The house stands in the midst of 37 acres of ground, and is approached from the road through an avenue of evergreen trees, running parallel to the western shore of Rose Bay. A part of the ground has been laid out in well kept lawns and gardens, but a great portion remains in its natural state. The highest portion, where has been placed the Government Trigonometrical Station, commands an unsurpassed view of the harbour. On the right every feature stands out away to Watson's Bay and Manly, and over the Gap and between the Manly hills glimpses of the ocean are caught; while on the left all points on the north and south shores, as far as the entrance to the Parramatta River, are brought out with vivid distinctness. From the house itself a magnificent view is also obtained. The structure is substantially built, and its furnishings are of a solid and complete character. It is understood that the property will shortly be put on the market, having first been satisfactorily subdivided; but with the house itself a sufficient quantity of land commensurate with its size and appointments will remain.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

The following scratchings were recorded yesterday in connection with the Warwick Farm January Meeting, to take place to-day. All engagements: Latem, Willie, and Belle Isle, Farm Stakes; Marrie, Warwick Farm; Elwin and Akarini, Pace Welter; Creme d'Or.

The programme for the Moorfield January Meeting is set forth in the business portion of the paper. Entries for the half-dozen events close with the secretary, Mr. John Jolly, at 4 p.m. on Monday next.

Registration was yesterday granted by the A.J.C. to the following race meetings:—Yerong, N.C., Wowengtagang (Forbes), and Paroo Amateur T.C.

Shylock, a horse who has been racing in the Pambula district, and recently won a double at Capertee, has been purchased by some Sydney sportsmen.

The bay gelding Como is now owned by Mr. S. Farmer, Redfern.

T. Lamont will not further persevere with Chag, who goes back to Bellevue to-day.

Mr. M. O'Shannassy, who has for many years taken a prominent part in turf matters in Victoria, intends, owing to continued ill-health, disposing of the whole of his thoroughbred and racing stock.

A couple of two-year-old geldings by the imported horse Metal from Hesitation and Belvoirina respectively, and another untried horse by Metal from Lucy Ashton, are at present in Dutchman Court stud. The two geldings have been purchased by Mr. J. Samuels, and are to be trained by J. Burton, while the third one of the consignment is to be prepared by C. Baldwin, jun.

E. Keys's last night received a telegram from Mrs. Durston at Newcastle to the effect that her husband (George Durston), the jockey who rode Bons Fide in the January Handicap at Newcastle on Thursday, was sinking fast, and there was very little hope of his recovery. A later message by telephone confirms the telegram, but at midnight he was still alive.

Messrs. H. Chisholm and Co. intimate in our advertising columns that intending vendors at their autumn yearling sales, to take place on Tuesday, April 4, should lose no time in supplying particulars and pedigrees of stock to be submitted, so as to admit of the catalogues being complete. The following owners and studs will be represented at the sale:—Messrs. Thompson Brothers, Olinda and Widden; Percy Reynolds, Clydesdale; E. Reginald White, Merton; A. Hoke, jun., Tures; C. E. M'Donga'l, Warwick, Queensland; Walter Eales, Buckenfield Park; Captain Claude Smith, Nanguligan Heights; and Wollogorang Estate, Braidalbane.

At the time of the V.R.C. Spring Meeting a Victorian bookmaker received a message from a country client requesting him to place £10 on Scorn for the Maribyrnong Plate, and if the horse won to double the amount on Bobadil for the Derby. The bookmaker accepted the commission, overlooking the fact that the latter race was run first. Scorn won his race, and Bobadil was beaten in the Derby. The message was submitted to the Victorian Club, which has decided that the client is entitled to receive the starting odds, £60 to £10, about Scorn for the Maribyrnong Plate, but as the Derby was decided before the Maribyrnong Plate the wager will still be treated in favour of Bobadil.

Our Tamworth correspondent telegraphs that the annual race meeting at Manilla has been fixed for Anniversary Day.

WARWICK FARM RACING CLUB.

The January reunion of the Warwick Farm Racing Club takes place this afternoon on the well-appointed convincing ground adjacent to George's River, and is nicely arranged programme has been assembled for the occasion. The framed events include special trades leaving Redfern at 11 a.m. (horses), 12.35, 12.50, and 1.18 p.m. At the course everything necessary for the comfort and convenience of visitors has received the attention of the executive, and the tracks are in splendid condition. The sprint commences with the Farm Stakes, in which Cobham, Stellarane, Mica, Woolgorang, and Sovereign have nine the worst of the fixtures; and Cobham, Stellarane, and Sovereign may get home in the order named. Last year, Lurie, Vesper, Consul, and Lady Thelma should run well in the Two-year-old Handicap, and the situations may be occupied by First Consul, Jeanette, and Badge. The Stewards' Cup gives promise of an interesting contest, in which Consul, Como, All There, Waterloo, and Honor Bright should bear the brunt of the battle, and Honor Bright, Brazen Lad, and All There should claim the attention of the judge as named. A good field will be almost certain to take part in the Handicap, and, if the top weights, Rosebud, P.N., Kitaware, Miss Emmett, Crimson, Auda, and The Captain read as well as anything, and an interesting contest may result in Rosebud, Wootton's choice—Auda or Nunson—and Kitaware fifteen pounds in front. The afternoon's sport will be brought to a close with the Pace Welter, in which Carlisle, Expectation, The Gael, Cobham, and Nardoo appear to have been treated with a shade of leniency, and Expectation, Cobham, and Nardoo may pass the judge's chair in the order named. The following is the programme:—

Farm Stakes, 6 furlongs.—Woolgorang, 8st 9lb; Cobham, 8st 5lb; Colleen, 7st 4lb; Prince Garde, 8st 2lb; Stellarane, 8st 1lb; Mica, 8st 1lb; Sovereign, 8st 1lb; Wee Nip, 8st 1lb; Country, 8st 1lb; Hazard, 8st 1lb; Blue Cap, 8st 1lb; Lurie, 8st 1lb; Vesper, 8st 1lb; Acorn, 7st 13lb; Battlewing, 7st 13lb; Minimus, 7st 9lb; St. Anthony, 7st 4lb; Praldum, 7st 4lb.

Two-year-old Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Lurie, 9st 8lb; Jeanette, 9st 6lb; Vesper, 9st 4lb; Badge, 9st 4lb; Diadem, 7st 11lb; First Consul, 7st 9lb; Fairy Vesta, 7st 6lb; The Ravens, 7st 2lb; Lady Thelma, 7st.

Stewards' Cup, 6 furlongs.—Consul, 9st 9lb; Como, 9st 8lb; Truth, 9st 10lb; Como, 9st 10lb; Mishap, 9st 9lb; Acorn, 9st 4lb; All There, 9st 4lb; Colleen, 8st 2lb; Honeysuckle, 8st 2lb; Badge, 8st 2lb; The Desert, 7st 9lb; Middleton, 7st 7lb; Delna, 7st 7lb.

Warwick Handicap, 1¼ mile.—Eastern King, 9st 5lb; Rondelight, 9st 5lb; Kitaware, 8st 12lb; Waterloo, 8st 10lb; Rosebud, 8st 8lb; P.N., 8st 8lb; Lucerne, 8st 7lb; Alice, 7st 13lb; Como, 7st 8lb; Miss Emmett, 7st 3lb; Auda, 7st 2lb; Blanche Lawrence, 7st 2lb; Crimson, 6st 13lb; The Captain, 6st 7lb; Hurricane, 6st 7lb; Fairy Prince, 6st 7lb.

Pace Welter, 6 furlongs.—Blair, 11st 7lb; Carlisle, 9st 12lb; Fauntleroy, 9st 9lb; Hanover, 9st 9lb; Expectation, 9st 7lb; The Gael, 9st 4lb; Colleen, 9st 2lb; Buckenfield Park, 9st 2lb; Captain Claude Smith, Nanguligan Heights, 9st 2lb; Wollogorang Estate, Braidalbane.

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Our Tamworth correspondent telegraphs that the annual race meeting at Manilla has been fixed for Anniversary Day.

WARWICK FARM RACING CLUB.

The January reunion of the Warwick Farm Racing Club takes place this afternoon on the well-appointed convincing ground adjacent to George's River, and is nicely arranged programme has been assembled for the occasion. The framed events include special trades leaving Redfern at 11 a.m. (horses), 12.35, 12.50, and 1.18 p.m. At the course everything necessary for the comfort and convenience of visitors has received the attention of the executive, and the tracks are in splendid condition. The sprint commences with the Farm Stakes, in which Cobham, Stellarane, Mica, Woolgorang, and Sovereign have nine the worst of the fixtures; and Cobham, Stellarane, and Sovereign may get home in the order named. Last year, Lurie, Vesper, Consul, and Lady Thelma should run well in the Two-year-old Handicap, and the situations may be occupied by First Consul, Jeanette, and Badge. The Stewards' Cup gives promise of an interesting contest, in which Consul, Como, All There, Waterloo, and Honor Bright should bear the brunt of the battle, and Honor Bright, Brazen Lad, and All There should claim the attention of the judge as named. A good field will be almost certain to take part in the Handicap, and, if the top weights, Rosebud, P.N., Kitaware, Miss Emmett, Crimson, Auda, and The Captain read as well as anything, and an interesting contest may result in Rosebud, Wootton's choice—Auda or Nunson—and Kitaware fifteen pounds in front. The afternoon's sport will be brought to a close with the Pace Welter, in which Carlisle, Expectation, The Gael, Cobham, and Nardoo appear to have been treated with a shade of leniency, and Expectation, Cobham, and Nardoo may pass the judge's chair in the order named. The following is the programme:—

Farm Stakes, 6 furlongs.—Woolgorang, 8st 9lb; Cobham, 8st 5lb; Colleen, 7st 4lb; Prince Garde, 8st 2lb; Stellarane, 8st 1lb; Mica, 8st 1lb; Sovereign, 8st 1lb; Wee Nip, 8st 1lb; Country, 8st 1lb; Hazard, 8st 1lb; Blue Cap, 8st 1lb; Lurie, 8st 1lb; Vesper, 8st 1lb; Acorn, 7st 13lb; Battlewing, 7st 13lb; Minimus, 7st 9lb; St. Anthony, 7st 4lb; Praldum, 7st 4lb.

Two-year-old Handicap, 6 furlongs.—

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Friday Evening.

A fairly good business and a generally healthy tone sums up the condition of the Stock and Share market to-day. Commercial Bank sold at an advance of ½. Colonial sugars rose to the extent of ½. Fresh Food and Tooth's Brewery also experienced slight advances.

On the Sydney Stock Exchange the following sales were reported :—Early sales: Tooth's Brewery, 27s 6d: Tarrawingee Flux, 3s 3d. At 1 o'clock: Bank of New South Wales, 36½; A.J.S. Bank 1s deposits, 14s 9d, 15s; Colonial Sugar, 36s, 36½; Fresh Food and Ice Company, 22s 9d, 23s. Later: Tarrawingee Flux, 3s 3d. At 4 o'clock: Commercial Bank of Sydney, 24. The closing quotations were :—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Prices. Last sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	*Yield to Investors.
	£	£	£	p.c.				p.c.
N.S.W. Govt. Stock, 1897	2,543,350			4	110½	109½		3½
Do. Act, 1873	530,150			4	4 125	122		3
Do., due 1912	2,417,541			5	109½	109½		3
Do., due 1924	198,962			3	95½	99½		3
Do., due 1925	222,250			3	100	99½		3
Do. Deb., 1902	299,300			5	107	105	106	3½
N.Z. Deb., 1913	300,000			4	106	105		3½
Gland D., 1913				4	107	106		3½
Colonial Sugar								
Do., 1914				5	112	110½		
Banks.								
Aust. J.S.	1,187,397 10	7½			4	14		
Australasia	1,000,000 0	40	5		50			
City	240,000 0	8	4		83	81	85	
New Zeal.	1,000,000 0	8	4		72 8	71	74	
Com. of A. pref.	2,117,020 0	10	10		9 2½			4½
Com. of Syd.	1,000,000 0	25	12½	8	24	24	24½	4½
N.S. Wales	1,000,000 0	20	10	20	36½	36½	36½	5
Royal of Q.	250,000 0	50	25		27 6	26½	27	4½
Union	1,500,000 0	25	5		27 6	26½	27	4½
Insurance.								
A.J.S. Bank					2 18	15	15 15	4
Class A					14	14	14 15	4
Class B					11 9	10	11	6½
Dito Insc.								
Com. of Aus.								
A ser., 1889					2 19			3½
Ditto assets					15 2			
E.S.A. series					15 2			
Ditto Ter.	500,000				4 18 9			4½
Ditto Dep.	999,375				4 16 7½	16 6		4½
Insc., pref.	947,995				3 14			4½
Ditto, def.	940,924				3 15			4½
National of Australasia	1,800,000				4			4½
Q'sland Nat.					3½ 11 7	11 9	12	6½
Steam.								
Illawarra	58,000	5	5		8½		6	5½
N. and H. R.	100,000	1	1		15 6	15	16	
Nth. Coast	121,743	1	17 6		18 6	18½	19 6	5½
S. E. Ferry	80,000	1	1		51	50	54	
Port Jackson	25,000	20	15	10	30	30	32 6	6½
Ditto Co-op Deb. Stk.	9,368		1	5	17			6½
Insurance.								
A.M. Fire	25,000	1	5	22½	27 6	26 6		4½
Mer. Mut.	20,250		1	11		11		4½
N. Zealand	500,000	50	2	1½			74	2½
United	62,500	10	2½	12½	82	82	84	7½
Ditto, New	5,572	10	12 6	12½	20	19 6	20 3	7½
Misc.								
Albury	7,500	1	12 6	10	17 6	17	18	7½
Australian	681,250	5	5	10	17 6	17 6	17 6	5½
C. Towers	20,000	10	10	10		11 6		7½
Goulburn	10,000	1	1	15	40	42		7½
Grafton	8,000	1	1	7½	25	24 6		7½
Manly	10,000	1	1	7½	25	24 6		7½
Newcastle	5,000	1	10	7	12 9	12 6	13 6	5½
Mudgee	8,000	1	1					
Newcastle	25,125	2	2	15			53	
North Shore	80,000	1	1	8	25	23		6½
Ditto, New	10,000	1	10	6	15		14	
Breweries.								
Albury	21,000	1	10	5		5	7	8½
Ditto	4,000	1	1	5				
Australian	50,000	1	1	7½		7 2		7½
Ulm. & Wood	8,000	1	1	8	31		31 6	5½
Bros.	350,000	1	1	4	13 9	13 3	14 0	5½
Marshall's	25,000	15	15	6	5	4 11	5 2	6
Perkins'	75,000	15	15	13½	28 3			6½
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	7	27 6	27 6	27 7½	5½
Miscellaneous								
Aarons'	17,500	15	15	4	3½		3 2	13½
Aust. News	4,000	1	1	4	27 4			
B.H.P. Sup.	185,500	1	1	12½	22			5½
Burns, Philp	200,000	1	1	8	31		31 6	5½
Ditto	17,500	1	5	8	6 0 0	6 0	6 1	
Col. Sugar	1,000,000	20	5	10	36½	36½	36½	5½
Dalgety Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	200			4
Emu B. R'way	100,000	1	1		6 9	6 6		7½
Emu Grand.	50,000	1	1	2½	7	6 6	7 6	6½
F. Fd. Ice	101,015	1	18	8	23	22	22 3	6½
Harrison, Jones, Ditto	50,000	1	1	8		10 6		7½
Ditto	50,000	1	10	8		10 6		7½
Maiting Co.	3,000	1	1					
Ditto	4,500	1	1					
Meth. Trans.	480,000	1	10	5	11 7½		4 6	
Mont de Piete	75,000	1	1	10	34 6	33 6	35	5½
Perm Trustee	200,000	20	5	7½	24	24	25 6	6½
Perp. Trust.	25,000	10	5	6	23			6½
Mott's Dock	100,000	1	1					16
Richardson and Wrench	60,000	1	1	4	3			8
Shale and Oil	75,000	1	15		2 9			8½
Syd. Dairy	187,500	1	1	4½	85		85	9½
Syd. Fruit	30,000	10	10	7	20			7½
Sy. Hydraulic	75,000	1	10	10	23 6	24	24 6	4½
Lands & Bs.								
Hayman's D.			1	3				
Fed. B. D.								
Inland. Prov.	80,000	20	20	8	20			
Intercolonial	32,789	1	15		12		12	12½
Excelsior Dep.					7 6			
Met'n Union		20	3					
Perp. & Sub.							6	10
Sy. Free. Land					6 6			

* Where dividends are interim, the yield is based on year's distributions; otherwise on the last half-yearly one.

The ballot results in the Equitable Life Assurance Society's operations during 1898 are to hand. The preliminary statement as communicated to Mr. Carlisle Taylor, general manager, shows that remarkable progress has been made in all the leading features of the business, furnishing ample indication both of the world-wide popularity of the society, and of the prosperous financial conditions now ruling in the United States in spite of the recent war with Spain. The new business for 1898 exceeds that of the previous year by over £2,700,000, and is nearly £9,000,000 in excess of the amount transacted during 1896. The assurance in force now aggregates the immense total of over 204 millions sterling, an increase of over £6,000,000 for the year. The assets now amount to £53,125,000, an increase during the year of over £3,750,000; and the surplus, or margin of assets over total liabilities, now stands at the unprecedented figure of £11,450,000, showing an increase for the year of some £950,000.

BREADSTUFFS.

Stagnation still prevails, and local millers are diverting their Queensland orders for flour to their Melbourne houses, being otherwise unable to compete. Fair quantities of Victorian flour are still coming forward. Wheat ranges between 2s 9d and 2s 10d; but practically nothing was done at these figures, which are above buyers' ideas.

IMPORT MARKET.

Some slight increase in business was evident to-day in nearly all departments, though the greater number of transactions were of a distributing character. Fair sales of tea were advised; but some buyers show a disposition to wait until the auction sales next week. Sugar ruled exceptionally firm, this being no difficulty in getting rid of parcels of good quality at full rates. Dried fruits sold at unchanged figures. There was a little inquiry for Lenten goods; but it has not yet crystallised into actual business. No change occurred in candles. Kerosene remained steady. D.B.J.'s at 4½d and Gondas at 5½d in lines. Lenten goods met with a little inquiry. Twenty-five cases of quarter sardines sold at 2s. Trefavenne quarters were quoted at 3s 3d and halfs at 4s 9d; salt herrings at 16s 6d for 50lb. barrels; salt salmon—barrels 5d, half-barrels 3½d; and red herrings were scarce at 12s for dozens and 21s 6d for two-dozens. The convention rate for Scroll salmon remained at 6s, while other brands ranged from 4s upwards for silver fish and 5s for red Alaska. Gold Medal milk remained at 4s 6½d, the shipments ex Aberdeen and Wakool having been cleared out. The Langton Grange is due on 23rd instant with 1000 cases.

Dried Fruits.—Currants ranged from 4d to 4½d, according to quality. 100 boxes of elemes were placed at 4½d f.o.b. 200 boxes of dates sold in 100 care lots at 2½d, Melbourne being drawn on for supplies.

Liquors.—Key gin ruled rather firmer, and some holders asked 11s for 1·5-bottle. Hennessy's brandy ranged from 34s for one star to 45s 6d for three star. A line of 10 hogsheads and 50 quarters of Lowndes's rum changed hands at quotations. The leading brands of whisky were in steady request in trade parcels. Wolfe's schnapps sold freely. M'Ewan's ale in bulk and case had attention, but wines and champagnes were quiet.

Metallic Lines.—200 tons of American pig iron No. 3 Florence and 25 tons of Florence special chilled changed hands at the recently advanced rates. 25 cases of plain galvanised iron sold to arrive close at hand at £17 5s to £17 10s. Small sales of tinplates were made at 12s 9d. 100 casks of anchor 11s 9d. moved off at 11s 6d, and 100 casks of anchor 11s 9d.

Jute Goods.—No alteration occurred in this department, but cornsacks ruled a shade firmer without much actual business.

Oils.—100 drums each of raw and boiled linseed oil were placed at 2s 3½d and 2s 5½d. Kerosene was firm at 8½d and 9d for ordinary brands and Snowflake respectively.

Chemicals.—15 tons of Musprati's caustic soda sold at £9: and during the last month orders have been placed for 45 tons of cyanide of potassium, mostly for forward delivery. The spot price of this line is 1s 1½d, and the market has a firming tendency.

The customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £5928. The principal items were :—

Spirits, £2128; wine, £465; ale, porter, and beer, £186; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £915; tea, £72; sugar and molasses, £14; opium, £191; dried and canned fruits, £370; candles, £17; confectionery, £12; jams and jellies, £25; preserves, £36; bonded warehouses, 42 Vic., No. 19, £29; harbour and light rates, £100; pilotage, £60; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £1,340; excise on beer, £511. Total, £5928.

EXPORT MARKET.

London Tallow Sales.—The year opens with an improved market at the Baltic saleroom. Medium descriptions are higher. Present quotations are :—Fine mutton unchanged, at 23s 3d; medium mutton 6d higher, at 21s 6d; fine beef unchanged, at 22s 3d; and medium ditto is higher, at 21s per cwt. These have been the prices ruling during the last seven sales in London. Since October 5 the quantity of fallow offered and sold and the prices for medium qualities have been :—

	Casks Offered.	Casks Sold.	Medium Mutton Per cwt.	Medium Beef Per cwt.
Oct. 5	1,950	1,200	21s 6d	20s 6d
Oct. 12	2,175	575	21s 6d	20s 6d
Oct. 19	2,000	800	21s 6d	20s 6d
Oct. 26	1,850	575	21s 6d	20s 6d
Nov. 2	1,825	650	21s 6d	20s 6d
Nov. 9	1,925	1,200	21s 6d	20s 6d
Nov. 16	1,525	925	21s 6d	20s 6d
Nov. 23	2,000	1,300	21s 6d	20s 6d
Nov. 30	2,175	600	21s 6d	20s 6d
Dec. 7	1,575	450	21s 6d	20s 6d
Dec. 14	1,600	1,200	21s 6d	21s 6d

Butter Shipments.—The Aberdeen took the following shipments of butter to the Cape :—F. F. and Ice Company, 110 boxes; Foley Brothers, Limited, 100; Farmers' Co-operative Company, 100; R. Little and Co., 50; and Farmer, Philip and Co., 50. Later, 140 : and for Natal :—A. M'Arthur and Co., 220 and F. F. and Ice Company, 20. Total, 270.

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour to-day 1047 bales of wool arrived, 1053 bales were received coastwise, and 141 bales came forward by rail at Newcastle yesterday.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

BRISBANE, Friday.

Arrangements are being made to hold the next Brisbane wool sales during the first week in February, or as near then as may suit the convenience of buyers. There is every prospect of good catalogues being submitted. Wool is coming forward freely.

In the produce markets a fair business was done during the week. Supplies generally were forward freely. Quotations: Maize, 3s. Chaff, lucerne and oaten, prime, 3s 9d to 4s 2d; mixed, 2s 6d to 3s 6d. Chickwheat, 3s to 3s 4d.

MELBOURNE, Friday.

New wheat is quoted at 2s 6d to 2s 6½d, and to-day there has been a good demand for parcels for prompt delivery. The Dumfriesshire, 1262 tons register, has been chartered at 30s per ton. Large export orders for flour are being received up to £8 17s f.o.b. Sales are on the spot at 2s 9d for polland, 8½d. Malting barley is in good demand at 1s 2d to 3s. Cape barley, 2s to 2s 3d. Algerian oats are firm at 1s 6d to 1s 10d. Maize, 3s 6d to 3s 6½d. Chaff is firm, at £2 10s to £2 12s 6d. Potatoes, £4 10s. Onions, £4 to £4 5s. Sugar is in brisk demand; 100 tons Millaquin and Fairymead whites sold. 400 packages Ceylon tea sold at 6½d to 9½d, and a small lot of Pangyong at 6d. Currants, 5d to 5½d. Holders of sultanas are firm; a fair parcel of medium sold for export at 4½d f.o.b. 200 boxes dates sold for export at 2½d f.o.b. Salmon is selling freely. D.B.O. candles sold at 9½d. Cornsacks are firm at 8s 9d to 8s 10½d. Hessians sold up to 6¾d, but holders are indisposed to quote freely. There is some inquiry for large parcels of kerosene. Importers are firm at 8½d for 2000-case lots. Deliveries for 1898 amounted to 861,218 cases, against 1,049,749 for 1897. A considerable parcel of castor oil sold. Factory butter, 8d to 9d. Eggs, 8½d to 8½d.

Business on the Stock Exchange to-day, though of less volume than yesterday, was of fairly good extent. Sales :—Commercial Bank, 10s; ditto, preference shares, 9s; Shamrock Brewery, 3s; Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus, 12s 6d; Tarrawingee Flux, 3s 9d; Australian Coffee Palace, 2s 11d; Dentiquin-Moama Railway, 78s; Silverton Tramway (small lot), 84s 6d.

PRODUCE INWARD.

MELBOURNE, Friday.

The Buninyong sailed to-day for Sydney, via Geelong, with 414 bags onions, 840 bags flour, 305 bags chaff, 432 bags potatoes, 3923 bags wheat, and 6 crates cabbages.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

Bank of England Returns.

The Bank of England reserve of notes and coin is £19,489,000, as against £18,832,000 last week. The proportion of reserves to liabilities is 39·30, as against 45·30 last week and 39·17 last year. The circulation is £27,752,000, against £27,306,000, last week and £28,137,000 last year.

Notes issued	£45,218,000	Government securities	£11,018,000
		Other securities	5,780,000
		Gold and silver coin	28,418,000
	£45,218,000		£45,218,000

BANKING DEPARTMENT.

Proprietors' Capital	£14,553,000	Government securities	£14,624,000
Rest, Taxes, and other bills	3,472,000	Other securities	32,917,000
Public deposits	9,217,000	Notes	17,490,000
Other deposits	39,488,000	Gold and silver coin	2,023,000
	£67,230,000		£67,230,000

Consols and Australian Stocks.

Current quotations for Consols and Australian Government stocks, compared with those of last week and the corresponding week of last year, are as follows :—

	Jan. 7, 1898.	Dec. 30, 1898.	Jan. 6, 1899.	Rise or Fall.
2½ per cent. Consols	113	110½	110½	unch.
N.S.W. 4's, 1935, Jan.-July	121½	118	118	unch.
N.S.W. 3½'s, 1918, March-Sept.	108½	105	105½	½ rise
N.S.W. 3's, 1935, April-Oct.	102	99½	99	½ fall
Vict. 4's, 1920, Jan.-July	112	111	111	unch.
Vic. 3½'s, 1921-26, Jan.-July	106	105	105	unch.
S. Aust. 3's, 1916, Jan.-July	100	98	98	unch.
S. Aust. 3½'s, 1939, June-Dec.	110	107	107½	½ rise
Q'land 4's, 1918-24, Jan.-July	113½	110½	109½	1 fall
Q'land 3½'s, 1923-50, Jan.-July	106	105	105	unch.
N. Zealand 4's, 1908, May-Nov.	116	114	114	unch.
N. Zealand 3½'s, 1929-40, Jan.-July	109½	107½	108	½ rise
N. Zealand 3's, 1945, April-Oct.	101	99	99	unch.
Tasmanian 3½'s, 1929-40, Jan.-July	110½	105	105	unch.
West Australian 3½'s, 1905-35, May-Nov.	107	104	104	unch.

Bradford Tops.

Business in the Bradford market is tending upwards. Common sixties are quoted ½d rise at 20d, and super sixties unchanged at 21d.

Money Market.

The Bank of England rate stands at 4, to which it was raised from 3 per cent. on October 13. The market rate is ½ lower at 2½ per cent.

The Metal Market.

Copper, Chili.—Spot ½ higher at 58, three months being ½ higher at 58½.

Tin.—The market is very firm, spot selling 4½ higher at 88½, and three months 3½ higher at 89½ per ton.

Pig Iron.—Glasgow warrants, cash, 9d higher at 50s per ton.

Lead.—Soft, foreign, ½ higher at 13½ per ton. Spelter is quoted ½ higher at 24½.

Sugar.

The market is quiet, and 6d higher at 9s 6d for German beet 88 per cent., and unchanged at 11s 6d for Java No. 15 D.S. cane, per cwt.

The Wheat Market.

The English wheat market is quiet, and inclined to weakness. The continental markets are changing a little for the worse. The American markets are declining and weak.

Victorian parcels of wheat by sailing ship are quoted at 27s 9d, and by steamer at 28s 6d.

The American visible supply of wheat and flour east of the Rockies, according to "Bradstreet's," is 50,126,000 bushels against 54,311,000 bushels last year.

Ten thousand quarters of Victorian wheat, January shipment, have been sold at 28s 9d per quarter.

Antwerp Wool Sales.

The Antwerp wool sales will be opened on the 10th instant. The catalogue will comprise 4670 bales, of which 870 bales are Australian wool.

Butter.

There is a steady trade in butter, colonial selling at 100s to 102s; a few boxes realising 104s. Danish remains unchanged.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Friday.

REVIEW OF THE WEEK.

Operations for the new year opened rather quietly, business throughout the week being slack. Apart from a scarcity in maize fair supplies were received coastwise and by rail. As compared with previous year arrivals by rail this week show a heavy shrinkage, the only exceptions being potatoes and bran. Apart from a rise of 4d per bushel in maize and a fall of £3 in potatoes, but little change in prices occurred. Maize was extremely scarce, the demand being steady up to 4s. Oats moved more freely; other grain lines, however, were slow. Bran and pollard had steady sale, the former being weaker and the latter firmer. All forage lines were in quiet demand. Lucerne hay suffered a decline of 2s 6d per ton. The heavy increase in the delivery of potatoes each day by rail caused prices to recede about £3 on the week. The market closed with a firm tone. Tasmanian Circulars have made their appearance very early this year. Onions had attention at firm prices. Business in dairy produce, as usual about this time of the year, was rather slack. Poultry has declined in value, other lines being without much change.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

A moderate amount of business was done in general produce to-day. With the exception of maize and pollard, which were scarce, ample supplies were on hand. The principal changes in prices were confined to a rise on potatoes, pollard, and eggs. The market for maize was exceptionally firm at 4s, very little being obtainable, so scarce was the article. American maize will be offered by next week. Oats continued in fair demand other grain lines, however, were rather quiet. Scarcity caused a temporary rise in pollard, sales being reported as high as 9½. Bran remained quiet at about yesterday's rates. The demand for imported chaff was again slack. Stocks on the wharfs were fairly heavy. Lucerne hay had steady sale, as did imported straw. The market for potatoes had a decidedly firmer tone. Heavy supplies arrived by rail. About 800 bags came forward from Tasmania. Local tubers sold well at auction. Fair-sized parcels were bought for country and shipping orders. Prices as compared with the previous day were up 5s per ton. The first shipment of Tasmanian Circular Heads arrived in excellent condition, the sample being first-class. Prime sorts made £7 per ton. As compared with former years, this is very early for such a big consignment to be received from that quarter. Prime Melbourne onions had attention up to £4 15s per ton. In dairy produce business was brisker than it has been since the new year. The only change to record in prices was an advance in eggs.

The wholesale quotations were :—

Fresh-grains Market.

Oats.—New Zealand, prime 2s 4d, medium 2s 2d to 2s 3d; milling, 2s 5d per bushel.

Maize.—Prime, quoted 4s per bushel.

Peas.—Blue, prime, 4s 6d; grey, 3s 9d per bushel.

Chickwheat.—Prime, 2s 5d to 2s 6d; other varieties, to 2s 2d per bushel.

Bran and Pollard.

Both bran and pollard were in demand. Bran was quoted at 7d and pollard 9½d per bushel.

Forage Market.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Prime green, £2 10s to £2 12s 6d; medium, £2 5s to £2 10s. Inland: Prime in trusses, £2 15s to £3 per ton.

Hay.—Local oaten in bundles, prime, £3 15s to £4; medium, £3 to £3 10s; inferior varieties, £2 to £2 15s per ton.

Chaff.—Imported: Medium, £3; prime, £3 5s; prime green, £3 7s 6d. Local: Prime, £3 5s to £3 7s 6d; prime green, £3 10s to £3 12s 6d; medium, £2 15s to £3 2s 6d per ton.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed, £2 5s to £2 7s 6d; imported, £2 10s; local bundled, £2 per ton.

Potatoes.—Plentiful. Local prime, £5 15s to £6 5s; medium, £4 15s to £5 5s; Tasmanian Circulars, prime £7 per ton.

Miscellaneous.

Honey.—Plentiful. Garden honey, 2d to 2½d per lb. Beeswax.—Choice, 1s per lb.

Onions.—Melbourne £4 5s to £4 15s per ton.

Lard.—Finely rendered, in bladders, 4½d; bulk, 4d per lb.

Dairy Produce.

Cheese.—Choice loaf, 5d; large, 4d to 4½d. Bodalla, 6½d; New Zealand, large 4½d; medium, 5d; flat, 5½d.

Butter.—Fresh from the country: Choice, 8½d. Farmers' Co-operative Company quote creamery, 9d; Foley Brothers quote best creamery 9d, Darling Downs 9d; many quote finest creamery 9½d; Farmer and I. Company quote pasteurised butter at 9½d per lb.

Eggs.—North, 9½; south, 8d to 8½d per dozen.

Bacon and Hams.—Factory, primo, 6½d to 7d; second-class, 6d; middles, 7½d to 8d; mild cured sides, 7d; farmers' lots, 8d to 9½d; Bodalla, sides 7d, Ritchee 6½d, middles 7½d, hams, 10½d to 11d. Wiltshire, weights, 8d. New Zealand, mild cured, choice, 8½d; English, 9½d to 10d; small weights, 10½d per lb.

Poultry.—Prime, 1s 9d to 2s 3d; medium, 2s 6d to 3s; prime young ducks, 3s 6d; ducks, 2s to 2s 9d; choice do., Muscovy ducks, 3s to 3s 6d; geese, 3s to 4s 6d; turkeys, cocks 8s to 10s, prime to 14s, hens 4s to 7s per pair.

The Wood Market.

Fair supply. Good to prime firewood, good, 10s to 12s; rough, 8s 6d to 7s; bundles, good, 8s 6d to 9s; inferior, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; billets, 8s 6d to 9s; inferior, 7s to 7s 6d. Cleaving posts, good, 6s to 7s; inferior, 7s 6d to 8s; large green, 6s to 7s; dry, 8s 6d to 9s per ton.

Redfern Sales.

At the Redfern Railway Terminus Markets this morning a fair supply of produce was submitted at auction. Like the previous day, about half the offerings consisted of potatoes, which were sold at 5s per ton in quantities, but little change in prices occurred. Prime samples of chaff made 3s 3d to 3s 7d, and medium from 2s 10d per cwt. upwards. Prime lots of green lucerne hay sold at 3s per cwt. to 3s 1d, and off varieties from 2s 4d to 2s 6d. Oaten hay of passable quality found a buyer at 2s 9d per cwt. Chickwheat realised from 2s 2d to 2s 4d per bushel, and maize fetched 4s 2d, but this may be considered as an outside price. Potatoes continue to arrive in large quantities, 20 tons of which were submitted for sale to-day. The market opened in a weaker, but at the close of the sale prices were about 5s per ton higher than on the previous day. The rise is due to the fair-sized parcels being cleared off the buying orders. Prime sorts at 5s 5d to 6s 3d, and fair to good medium at 4s 9d to 5s 6d per cwt.

Appended are the proportions of the various descriptions of produce actually submitted at to-day's sale :—Chaff, 7 trucks; lucerne, 10; hay, 1; maize, 1; chickwheat, 3; bran, 1; and potatoes, 20.

Among the consignors were :—Messrs. Dent and Perry, Wells and Matthews, H. Prescott and Co., Ellis and Co., J. W. Gray and Co., A. M'Arthur and Co., H. M. Soltor and Co., Robert Little and Co., Robert Crouchers, Oxas and Co., S. B. Bond, and John Bridge and Co.

Supplies were dispersed of as follows :—

Chaff.—From Moss, Vale, Moama, and Deniliquin (Truck No. 2061) passed; Blanc, Forbes, (3039) 2s 6d, (7195) 2s 11d; Sullivan, Forbes, (3125) 2s 10d; Lewis, Blayney, (10,084) 2s 10d; Thomas, Molong, Kelso (7279) 2s 3d; Heaton Brothers, Orange, (1591) 3s 4d per cwt.

Bran.—From Nicholls and Brashier, Gundagai, (8748) passed.

Chickwheat.—From Nicholls, Murrumburrah, (3032) and (8419) 2s 6d; Aiken, (3062) 2s 6d; Murrumburrah Milling Co., (3041) 2s 6¾d per bushel; Crane, Newtown, (9876) passed.

Lucerne.—From M'Phee, Penrith, (7877) 2s 5d; Tarrant and Son, Mudgee, (6112) not delivered; Sly, Riverstone, (7990) 2s 5d; Bowden, Windsor, (9224) 2s 6d; Armstrong, (4436) 2s 6d, and sheaves 2s 10d; Dunstan, (3500) 2s 10d; J. Davis, Mulgrave (8470) 2s 5d; May, (8240) 2s 6d; Raper, (2909) 2s; Read, Seminghin, (5783) 2s 11d per cwt.

Maize.—From Order, Windsor, (8664) 2s 2d per bushel.

Hay.—From Labor, Seminghin, (3955) 2s 9d per cwt.

Potatoes.—From Woodstock, (1125) 4s 3d; bags branded GO 5s 3d, 18 GO over 2 4s 9d, 1 GOX 5s 1d, 88 Marys, (37571 5 DOP 5s, 14 AT 4s 8d; Canley Vale, (4643) 11 WS 4s 2d; Richmond, (4661) 23 TS 4s, 10 TS over 4s 4½d, 46 2d, 14 H 4s 7d, 5 MW 4s 4d; Windsor, (4837) 17 JU 4s 6d, 17 JH 4s 2d, 15 IA 5s 3d, 6 WJD 4s 3d, 15 JT 4s 4½d, (6370) 8 TM 4s 4d, 13 H 4s 3d, 10 TS 4s 4½d, 10 JS 5s, 20 S 5s 4d, (1332) 15 A 4s 10d, 18 XN 3s 10d, 11 F 5s, 14 JH 4s 9d, (7076) 13 JA 5s 5d, 15 FN 5s 3d, 12 A 5s 4½d, 12 JN 5s 4d, 9 FW 5s 3d, 12 FA 5s 1d, 9 RGS passed, (7763) 13 JE 5s 7d, 6 JE 5s 4d, 10 WH 5s 3d, 8 GJH 4s 9d, 15 T 5s 11d, 7 TG 5s 8d, (7791) 18 IJC 5s 9d, 10 IJD 5s 8d, 13 TR 5s 7d, 12 TS 5s 2d, 12 TS 5s 1d, 9 RGS passed, (8 HW passed, (1050) 18 JH 5s 2d, 18 T 5s 7d, 14 HG 4, 13 AF over W 5s 2d; Mulgrave, (1294) 12 JG 5s, 20 RB 5s 5d; Windsor, (6705) 11 JJ 5s 4d, 13 JG 5s 3d, 13 JG 5s 4d, 11 CB 5s 1d, 12 KM 5s 2d, 15 CB 6s, (6162) 20 TR 6s, 15 Z 6s, 22 RH 6s 3d, 7 IB 5s 8d, 12 TJS 6s 1d, (8749) 35 CO 5s 8d, 9 WWD 5s 11d, 19 COA 5s 10d, 15 TR 5s 4d, 13 T 5s 7d, 10 S 5s 4d; Bligh, (3003) 23 NB 5s 10d, 12 MH 5s 5d, 8 CC 4s 9d, 12 KM 5s 9

CHURCH NEWS.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The Archbishop of Sydney delivered an address in the Cathedral at the midnight service, New Year's Eve. On Sunday morning he held an ordination service, and he preached at the evening service. His Grace on Tuesday evening delivered an address at a meeting of the parishioners of Holy Trinity, Miller's Point, and left town on Thursday morning for Bowral.

The Archbishop on Sunday morning admitted the Rev. Ernest Richard Bulmer Gribble to the order of the priesthood. Mr. Gribble is missionary in charge of the Bellenden Ker mission to the aborigines.

The Bishop of Bathurst has left on a short visit to Adelaide.

Two of the reports of the examiners appointed by the committee of the Sunday School Institute to conduct the annual examination have been presented. Mr. T. B. Trebeck, examiner on the Old Testament lessons and collects, says that, taking the work as a whole, the results are very creditable. The intermediate division obtains special commendation. The Rev. T. K. Abbott, examiner on the Catechism, is pleased at the results of his examination, and welcomes the presence of several schools who have entered for examination, and congratulates them on their efforts.

A branch of the Gleaners' Union in connection with the Church Missionary Association has been formed in the parish of St. Marys, Western line.

Mrs. Stoddart, wife of the Rev. A. G. Stoddart, of St. Matthew's, Manly, was presented yesterday evening week with a purse of sovereigns as a Christmas gift from the parishioners.

The Rev. Percy De Lance Musgrave has been appointed curate of Holy Trinity parish, Dubbo.

Miss Snowdon, organist of All Saints', Marulan, was presented on Sunday with gifts from the congregation in recognition of her services.

The churches in which divine service was held on New Year's Eve were well attended, and on Sunday (New Year's Day), from reports received, the congregations in many were exceptionally large.

The Rev. R. Rook, rector of St. John's, Parramatta, has been the recipient of two presentations this week. The first was from the members of his recent confirmation class at St. John's, and consisted of a writing desk; the second was from the congregation of St. Paul's Mission Church, Harris Park, and consisted of six volumes of theological works and an address.

The Rev. E. A. Colvin and the Rev. F. W. Reeve, after having been absent on leave for some months in order to visit England, returned by the Koolgin Lass, which arrived yesterday.

The Rev. E. Claydon, of St. Luke's, Burwood, who started for England by the Aorangi on Saturday last, was presented with an address and travelling bag on behalf of the parish on the previous evening by the rector, the Rev. W. B. H. Yarrington.

On Wednesday evening the Rev. W. and Mrs. Martin invited the teachers, members of the choir of St. Barnabas', George-street West, and workers to a social in the schoolroom, the occasion being the tenth anniversary of Mr. Martin's ministry at St. Barnabas'. There were about 200 workers present. During the evening Miss Ruby Reynolds, Mrs. Trindall, and Miss Lloyd contributed songs, and Mr. Edward Massey presided at the piano. Archdeacon Langley, as an old friend, and the Rev. W. A. Cowper, in speaking of the work of the parish, said that the number of communicants in the church had increased during the past 10 years 46 per cent., and the Sunday school scholars had increased from 1075 in 1888 to 1725 scholars in 1898. During the interval for refreshments Mr. Paull, the senior churchwarden, on behalf of the workers, presented the Rev. W. Martin with a handsome cabinet bookcase, filled with valuable books, and Mrs. C. Paull, on behalf of the ladies, presented Mrs. Martin with five handsome silver plate:—A hot water jug, beautifully chased, richly-mounted preserve dish, and silver-mounted bread platter.

ROMAN CATHOLIC.

The transferred Feast of the Epiphany will be celebrated in St. Mary's Cathedral to-morrow, when the Right Rev. Dr. Gallagher, Coadjutor-Bishop of Goulburn, who is at present visiting Sydney, is expected to preach.

On Tuesday next there will be a profession of Sisters of Charity at St. Vincent's Convent, in Victoria-street, when his Eminence the Cardinal will officiate.

On Thursday morning next there will be a reception and profession of Sisters of Mercy at Parramatta. His Eminence the Cardinal will be the celebrant.

Father Michael Fitzpatrick (late of Melbourne) has been transferred to the Sacred Heart Presbytery, Darlinghurst. Father Fitzpatrick will take the duties of chaplain of St. Vincent's Convent and Hospital, Father Malone, the present chaplain, having left for a vacation.

The Ladies' Pensioners of the Sacred Heart report that during the past year 421 individuals received relief, 52 received clothing, 71 received boots, and others aid of various kinds.

The last day of December, 1898, being the sixtieth anniversary of the arrival of the Sisters of Charity in Sydney, special services were held at St. Vincent's Convent. His Eminence the Cardinal, assisted by the Very Rev. Dr. O'Haran and the Rev. Father Malone, celebrated Mass at 7.30 in the convent chapel. During the morning the Sisters held a reception, at which the Cardinal was present amongst the guests.

The Rev. Father Curley, for many years of the Goulburn diocese, is leaving the colony for Ireland in order to join the Redemptorist Order.

The Rev. Father Yazbeck, P.P., celebrated Mass at St. Maroun's Church yesterday morning, the Feast of the Epiphany. During the Mass the ceremony of blessing the water took place. In the evening there was a solemn Benediction of the Sacrament.

PRESBYTERIAN.

The Rev. W. Powell will be inducted to the Wallsend and West Wallsend charge, under the Hunter River Presbytery, on Thursday next.

The Rev. John Walker, of Woollahra Church, has been presented with an Imperial Rover bicycle by the members of the church and congregation. Mrs. Walker was also the recipient of a cheque for £20 from the same source.

The Rev. Dr. Bruce, Commissioner of the General Assembly, has returned to Sydney from his northern tour, which extended to Bundaberg.

Miss Mowbray, who recently left for Zenana Mission work in India, writes to a friend asking for papers or magazines for herself and Miss MacNeill, as they are quite cut off from such items of civilisation.

WESLEYAN.

The Rev. B. Danks leaves again shortly for Queensland on deputation work on behalf of foreign missions. Mr. Danks has already spent several weeks in Queensland, and during a period of seven weeks held 68 meetings in various circuits to further mission work.

The committee to make arrangements for the forthcoming conference will meet during next week.

The Rev. George Lane, of the North Sydney church, leaves shortly for Hobart for a month's rest and change. Arrangements have been made to supply the pulpit during Mr. Lane's absence.

A bazaar recently held at Mittagong in aid of the church funds realised over £40.

There has been a great increase in contributions recently from the natives of New Britain for foreign mission work. In 1890 the freewill offerings to the funds amounted to £200; in 1897 the amount reached £445, and in 1898 a total of £529 was contributed. The Rev. Dr. Brown states that when he landed in the New Britain group in 1875 the people were naked savages, and there was not a white man resident in the group.

It is stated that at a moderate estimate there are 35,000,000 of Methodists in the world.

The Friday morning prayer meetings for ministers of all denominations held at the Centenary Hall are being well attended. The Rev. W. M. Dill Macky presided at yesterday morning's meeting.

The Rev. W. Woolls Rutledge (Waverley) will deliver an address at the Opera House, York-street, to-morrow night to the men of Sydney.

The Rev. Dr. Brown, general secretary of the Wesleyan Mission Society, informs us that the Hon. E. Vickery and family have finally left England for Australia. From a recent letter they were on the Continent, and were to leave for Sydney by one of the German mail steamers on December 28. The Rev. T. B. Holmes, late of Waverley, is also a passenger by the same steamer.

CONGREGATIONAL.

The Canterbury church has been thoroughly renovated and repainted, and various alterations made. The debt upon the building has been entirely discharged.

The resignation of the Rev. G. A. Raves, B.A., has been accepted by the church at Campbelltown with extreme regret, and will take effect at the end of January. Mr. Raves is held in high esteem by all members and adherents of the Church.

The Rev. H. Gainford, pastor of the Balmain church, has left Sydney for a month's vacation.

It is stated that the Chatswood church is about to extend an invitation to one of the students at Camden College, who has almost completed his studies, to become its pastor.

The Rev. J. Herford closed his pastorate at the Milton (N.S.W.) church, where he has ministered for two years, on Sunday last. On the Wednesday following a farewell social was tendered to Mr. Herford, at which a purse of sovereigns was presented to Mr. Herford by one of the deacons on behalf of the church adherents and members.

BAPTIST.

A memorial service in connection with the death of Mr. John Wells, late senior deacon and treasurer of the church, was held at Bathurst-street on Sunday last, when a large congregation gathered. The Rev. F. E. Harry, President of the Baptist Union, preached the memorial sermon.

Ministerial interchanges have been arranged in connection with Baptist foreign mission work. On Wednesday last Dr. Porter spoke on behalf of missions at Bathurst-street Church, and the Rev. F. E. Harry delivered an address at Petersham Church on the same topic.

The newly erected Baptist Church at Armadale, Victoria, of which the Rev. A. N. Marshall, B.A., is the pastor, was recently broken into when nearing completion and the walls and seats daubed with paint to such an extent that about £100 had to be expended to repair the damage. The perpetrators of the act have not yet been discovered.

SALVATION ARMY.

The New Year's encampment at Manly, which was conducted by Commandant Booth, was so successful that it is probable the period of the encampment will be extended next year. Some 200 conversions are stated to have taken place during the meetings recently held. Lieutenant-Colonel Hoskin, the new commandant of the colony, contemplates visiting the various country centres of the Army at an early date for the purpose of holding special services.

The Natatorium, Pitt-street, which has recently been converted into a People's Palace by the Army will be publicly opened on Wednesday, January 18. A meeting will be held in the afternoon, when Commandant Booth will explain the objects aimed at in the establishment of the "palace."

Captain Tillbrook (Victoria) has been appointed to the Sydney City Corps of the Army, Ensign Mackay (late of New Zealand), to Newtown, and Ensign Dalwood (of Western Australia) to Petersham.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.

In connection with the Congregational Church Endeavour Society at Redfern and the Memorial Church Society of Hobart, Tasmania, an interchange of papers exercise took place, which resulted in an instructive and profitable evening. Papers on the subject of "Angels' Song," from the Hobart society, were read at the Redfern meeting, and papers from the Redfern society were read at Hobart, and each society had a representative at the other's meeting. Addresses were also delivered by the pastors of the respective churches on the friendly relations existing between the two societies.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

The week of prayer for young women, as arranged by the British National Council of the Y.W.C.A., will be held as usual in February by the New South Wales Association.

Lady Tatlow (of London Y.W.C.A.), who is correspondent for Queensland on the world's committee, is endeavouring to extend the operations of the association in the sister colony, and to provide a travelling secretary for that purpose.

A special meeting for prayer and consecration was held in the room of the Ashfield Y.W.C.A. on Sunday afternoon at the close of the ordinary class. Similar meetings have been held in other branches during the week.

WOMEN'S PRAYER UNION.

The fifteenth annual New Year's conference was held in the Temperance Hall on January 5. Mrs. Peters presided. Representatives were present from the following suburban unions:—Marrickville, Paddington, Petersham, Dulwich Hill, Leichhardt, and Glebe. A debate was opened by Mrs. Holdsworth which bore on Christian holiness. Mrs. Finnigan followed, and many members of the union took part in the discussion. Solos were rendered by Mesdames Warren and Croft. The meeting was largely attended. The president, in closing the conference, expressed the hope that they would remember some of the thoughts which had been thrown out during the discussion, and go back with renewed vigour to the work of the new year.

AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL BOOKS.

Messrs. William Brooks and Co. send to this office a parcel of their educational books, now used or about to be brought into use in the Public schools of this colony. We have two primers, five reading books, three class geographies, a history, and four spelling books and aids to the readers. As to the reading books we need do little except refer to the favourable terms in which on their first appearance we were glad to be able to notice them. Three of these reading books were placed before the public in November last, when their excellences, not only literary and pictorial, but also educational, were detailed. Now that the complete series is in our hands it is satisfactory to be able to repeat the praise which on separate publication they appeared to deserve. These reading books were selected in open competition among British and Australian publishers by a board that consisted of Professors Scott and MacCallum and Messrs. Weigall, Maynard, Bridges, Dawson, and Banks. They thus have the approval of a number of gentlemen whose names carry authority as representatives of primary, secondary, and the higher education. The publishers state that of the series of reading books the first year primer, second, and issued over 600,000. The new volumes with which we have to do on the present occasion are advance copies of three geographical class books, for third, fourth, and fifth classes respectively. They are prepared by Mr. S. H. Smith, headmaster of the Central Day Superior Public School, and illustrated by Mr. Souter. It seems to us that if used as Mr. Smith urges, that is, purely as aids to pupil and teacher in geography lessons, they will be trustworthy and effective. The dry, tedious manner of the old textbooks has been abandoned, and the compiler has quite seized the idea that what is to impress the young pupil and remain in his memory as part of his life's education must, as far as possible, be interesting. At the same time Mr. Smith is too experienced as a teacher to suppose that knowledge is to be acquired by mere passive absorption; he gives the sound material of his science, helping to make it up in assimilable quantity and quality, and leaves the rest to the teacher. Indeed these books would have to be differently viewed if they neglected to assume throughout the intelligent cooperation of teacher and pupil. In passing, a small matter may be indicated in the hope that, before these geographies go into the hands of the thousands of children in our Public schools, it may be rectified. We cannot reconcile ourselves to the vulgarism of "Westralia" instead of Western Australia. It it is admitted, we may have News or Swales as appropriate contractions of the name of our colony, or Stralia for the province. A teacher ought to be more regardful of "pure English undefiled." There is also an advance copy of Mr. Smith's "Third Class English History," in which the plan is to set forth the early part of English story by tale and legend, with appropriate pictures. The task seems well done, and the book should interest learners from the beginning, and acquaint them by both the story and the illustrations with the picturesque past. The four small spelling books and aids to the readers indicate a new system. Whereas the reading book used to be hampered with apparatus in the way of indexes, notes, lists of difficult words, and so forth, the "Australian School Series" gives a reading text pure and simple and furnishes in a pocket-book form the supplementary matter that may be needed by pupils. The parcel of publications under notice represents a large enterprise, and is to be commended warmly in the interests of school children of Australian nationality. It has too long been a reproach to us that the youth of the colony had to use school books compiled early in this century for British children, in which Australia and all that related to it was either ignored or indifferently handled.

MISSION WORK IN THE ISLANDS.

The Rev. Dr. Brown, general secretary of the Wesleyan Mission Society, is in receipt of a letter from the Rev. W. E. Bromilow, of New Guinea, under date of December 13, in which he speaks of the destitution likely to be felt by the natives in consequence of the recent cyclone. They have asked for rice, and the general secretary has telegraphed to Cooktown for a ton of rice to be sent to the island at once. Mr. Bromilow in his letter makes no reference whatever to any accident having happened to the Rev. Mr. Field and the lugger Victoria, and Dr. Brown is of opinion that there is no cause for any anxiety. This is, in his opinion, further confirmed by the receipt yesterday by him of a letter from the Rev. A. Fletcher, dated Cairns, December 31, who states that although he was two weeks in Samarai, New Guinea, after the gale there was no mention there of any accident to the Victoria, although there was great destruction caused at Dobu by the cyclone, and 12 natives were burned alive under a landslip.

Mr. A. J. Andrews, one of the party en route to New Britain, has very much improved in health on the voyage.

News has been received by the general secretary of the Wesleyan Mission Society that the Rev. A. Fletcher and Mrs. Fletcher have arrived in Queensland from New Guinea, and have gone to Harberton for rest and change.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The returns of receipts and expenditure for the past six months have now been published some days, but while I have seen very congratulatory editorial references to the fact that the revenue for the half-year ended December 31, 1898, shows a big increase compared with the same period in the previous 12 months, that increase, a satisfactory one as it is, has been accompanied by a corresponding increase in the expenditure, and so far I have seen no editorial comment on the unpleasant fact that we are continuing to spend far more than we receive.

I have before me now the "Government Gazettes" of October 1, 1898, and January 3, 1899, and from these I gather the following:—

Revenue—Half-year ended December 31, 1898	£4,676,081
Expenditure—Half-year ended December 31, 1898	4,900,649
Excess expenditure	£232,568
To which has to be added the Treasurer's Advance Account on December 31, 1898	41,713
Total excess for half-year	£274,281
Then the loan expenditure for the past six months has been	883,841
Plus repayments of loans	176,800
Making a total altogether of	£1,1?0,641

During the past six months the Treasury has received revenue at the rate of £9,353,962 per annum, while the total expenditure for the same period (including expenditure proper chargeable to Consolidated Revenue Account, Treasurer's Advance Account, and total general Loan Account) has been at the rate of £12,164,006 per annum.

I am, &c., WILLIAM JOHN LYNE.

Legislative Assembly, January 6.

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Government Notices.

NOTICE UNDER REAL PROPERTY ACT.

APPLICATIONS having been made to bring the Lands hereunder described under the provisions of the Real Property Act, Certificates of Indefeasible Title will issue, unless Caveats be lodged, in Form B of the said Act, on or before the date named opposite each case respectively.

Property.	Name of Applicant.	Residence.	Date up to and inclusive of which Caveats may be lodged.
No. 10,517. Municipality of North Sydney, 3 acres 0 roods 12 perches, in Willoughby-street, adjoining the properties of J. J. A. W. Milson, Mrs. J. A. Monnett, E. J. Phillips, T. Jelly, the estate of James Milson, E. Thornthwaite, Mrs. J. D. Wilson, S. Kerr, W. Taylor, Mrs. G. Buckingham, A. D. Shepherd, J. Bailey, and the trustees of John Milson's Estate,—comprises part of 50 acres granted to James Milson.	Alfred George Milson and John Alma Monnett	North Sydney...	Feb. 10, 1899.
No. 10,792. Municipality of Redfern, 12 perches, in Redfern-street, adjoining the properties of Mrs. Douglas, J. Redfoord, and J. Horn, is part of Fullerton's subdivision of lot No. 25 of section No. 2 of the Redfern Estate, and part of 130 acres granted to William Redfern.	Elizabeth Ann Horn ...	Redfern...	Feb. 24, 1899.
No. 10,850. County of Cumberland, parish of Gordon, 5 acres 0 roods 9¼ perches, in Telegraph-road, at Pymble, adjoining the properties of — McIntosh, W. Pymble, and R. A. Brown, is part of 600 acres granted to Robert Fyshbo.	Richard Arthur Harvey	Sydney ...	Feb. 24, 1899.
No. 10,857. County of Cook, parish of Willoughby, 35 acres 2 roods, on Hawkesbury River, adjoining the properties of S. Burdekin, S. Dunston, and Mrs. Fleming,—being the land granted to 30 acres to James Baker.	Frederick John Henry Boulter	Sydney ...	Feb. 24, 1899.

Diagrams delineating these lands may be inspected at the Land Titles Office, Elizabeth-street, Sydney.
Dated at Sydney this 6th day of January, 1899, at the Registrar-General's Department.
W. G. H.-WILLIAMS, Registrar-General.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE UNDER REAL PROPERTY ACT.

In the matter of the application of Messrs. DALGETY and CO., Limited, Mortgagees under memorandum of mortgage from James Gordon, No. 222,434, dated 9th February, 1894, over the whole of the land described in thirty-four (34) acres, more or less, Granton.

WHEREAS the above-named Mortgagees have made application for an Order for Foreclosure of the mortgage above referred to, on account of default for six months and other facts as required by section 113 of the Real Property Act: NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the said Act, that the land comprised within the said mortgage, as hereunder particularised, is offered for sale and will remain open for sale until the 12th February, 1899, which date has been appointed as the time, upon or after which an order for foreclosure, which will exclude all claim by the above-named Mortgagor, and all any person claiming through or under him, will be issued by me to the applicants unless in the interval sufficient amount has been realised by the sale of such land to satisfy the principal and interest moneys due, and all costs and expenses occasioned by such proceedings, and interest up to the time of such sale.

Description of Property.	Amount to be Realised.	Last Day Limited for Payment.
Several parcels of land on Yeo Yeo Creek, at Kuraburra, parishes unnamed, Currabbarra, Bungalla, Moruya-creek, and Waarbilla, all county Bland.	Only to fill, being principal and interest up to 22nd November, 1898. Interest up to time of sale to be added.	17th February, 1899.

A plan and further particulars may be obtained by application at the Land Titles Office, Elizabeth-street, Sydney.
Dated at Sydney this 6th day of January, 1899, at the Registrar-General's Department.
W. G. H-WILLIAMS, Registrar-General.

REAL PROPERTY ACT.

NOTICE OF INTENDED RIGHT-TRATION OF DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE WITHOUT PRODUCTION OF THE DUPLICATE COPY OF THE MORTGAGE.

In the Matter of the Mortgage No. 185,765, dated 23rd September, 1891, from GEORGE WESLEY CARTER to the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, Limited, over the whole of the Land described in Crown Grants, Vol. 1045, Fol. 166, and Vol. 91, Fol. 256, situated in town of Narrabri, parish of Narrabri, and county of Nandewar.

NOTICE is hereby given of the intention of the Registrar-General to Register the above-mentioned Discharge of Mortgage after the expiration of twenty-one days from the date hereof without production of the duplicate copy of the mortgage, reasonable cause having been shown, pursuant to section 99 of the Real Property Act. All information respecting above matter obtained at the Land Titles Office, Elizabeth-street, Sydney. Dated at Sydney this 6th day of January, 1899, at the Registrar-General's Department.
W. G. H-WILLIAMS, Registrar-General.

REAL PROPERTY ACT.

NOTICE OF INTENDED ISSUE OF PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE OF TITLE, VOL. 748, FOL. 93.

Proprietor: MARY JANE MURRAY. Land, 2 Roods, Lot 7, Section 2, on Deposited Plan 722, parish of Colart, and county of Robinson.

The proof of LOSS of the Original Certificate of Title above described, and other particulars required by section 46 of the above-named Act, 26 Vict., No. 9, having been supplied, I hereby in pursuance of the requirements of such section notify my intention to issue such Provisional Certificate of Title accordingly at the expiration of twenty-one days from the date hereof. Dated at Sydney this 6th day of January, 1899, at the Registrar-General's Department.
W. G. H-WILLIAMS, Registrar-General.

Department of Public Works, Sydney, 6th January, 1899.

TENDERS FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND SUPPLIES.

(For Conditions see Government Gazette.)

TENDERS for the Works, &c., specified below will be received at this Department until 2 o'clock p.m. on the dates mentioned.

MONDAY, 9th JANUARY, 1899.

Construction of a Steam Ferry Punt for Grafton.
Bridge over Blacktbard Creek, road Kempsey to foot of Angola Mountain.
Bridge over Creek, road Rutherford via Farley to Cessnock, Bush-rg's Bridge.
Supply of 150,000 Sleepers for the Moree to Inverell Railway.
Bridge over Anstey's Creek, road Tamworth to Werris Creek.
Bridge over Burrangong Creek, road Carcoghal to Clifton.
Construction and Delivery of Deposition Box, Courthouse, Raymond Terrace.
Supply of 1462 tons of Blue Stone Metal, broken to 2½in. gauge, for Darling Island Railway.

MONDAY, 16th JANUARY, 1899.

Additional Span and Footway to Prout's Bridge over Cook's River, at Canterbury.
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Diagram delineating these lands may be inspected at the Land Titles Office, Elizabeth-street, Sydney.
Dated at Sydney this 6th day of January, 1899, at the Registrar-General's Department.
W. G. H.-WILLIAMS, Registrar-General.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE UNDER REAL PROPERTY ACT.

In the matter of the application of Messrs. DALGETY and CO., Limited, Mortgagees under memorandum of mortgage from James Gordon, No. 222,434, dated 9th February, 1894, over the whole of the land described in thirty-four (34) acres, more or less, Granton.

WHEREAS the above-named Mortgagees have made application for an Order for Foreclosure of the mortgage above referred to, on account of default for six months and other facts as required by section 113 of the Real Property Act: NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the said Act, that the land comprised within the said mortgage, as hereunder particularised, is offered for sale and will remain open for sale until the 12th February, 1899, which date has been appointed as the time, upon or after which an order for foreclosure, which will exclude all claim by the above-named Mortgagor, and all any person claiming through or under him, will be issued by me to the applicants unless in the interval sufficient amount has been realised by the sale of such land to satisfy the principal and interest moneys due, and all costs and expenses occasioned by such proceedings, and interest up to the time of such sale.

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NOTICE OF INTENDED RIGH-TRATION OF DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE WITHOUT PRODUCTION OF THE DUPLICATE COPY OF THE MORTGAGE.

In the Matter of the Mortgage No. 185,765, dated 23rd September, 1891, from GEORGE WESLEY CARTER to the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, Limited, over the whole of the Land described in Crown Grants, Vol. 1045, Fol. 166, and Vol. 91, Fol. 256, situated in town of Narrabri, parish of Narrabri, and county of Nandewar.

NOTICE is hereby given of the intention of the Registrar-General to Register the above-mentioned Discharge of Mortgage after the expiration of twenty-one days from the date hereof without production of the duplicate copy of the mortgage, reasonable cause having been shown, pursuant to section 99 of the Real Property Act. All information respecting above matter obtained at the Land Titles Office, Elizabeth-street, Sydney. Dated at Sydney this 6th day of January, 1899, at the Registrar-General's Department.
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NOTICE OF INTENDED ISSUE OF PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE OF TITLE, VOL. 748, FOL. 93.

Proprietor: MARY JANE MURRAY. Land, 2 Roods, Lot 7, Section 2, on Deposited Plan 722, parish of Colart, and county of Robinson.

The proof of LOSS of the Original Certificate of Title above described, and other particulars required by section 46 of the above-named Act, 26 Vict., No. 9, having been supplied, I hereby in pursuance of the requirements of such section notify my intention to issue such Provisional Certificate of Title accordingly at the expiration of twenty-one days from the date hereof. Dated at Sydney this 6th day of January, 1899, at the Registrar-General's Department.
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Department of Public Works, Sydney, 6th January, 1899.

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(For Conditions see Government Gazette.)

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Fine Detached Brick COTTAGE, with slate roof, contains hall, 4 large rooms, kitchen 16 x 12, and complete out offices, conservatory, bushhouse, stable, coachhouse, and wash-ho., land about 40 x 130, lane at rear. Price, including furniture, piano, &c., only £400, or as allowance will be made for furniture.

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SMITHFIELD.—Poultry FARM, Orchard, Vineyard, and Market Garden, 4 acres, splendid soil, plenty of water, creek at rear, and Sydney water past door, &c., long frontage, deep depth. The owner is selling for private reasons, and will accept a low figure. Torrens title. Parls and particulars, STANTON and SON, Estate

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OPENING SALE FOR THE YEAR.

To the Wholesale and Retail Boot Trade, Country Buyers, Dealers, and Others.

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Extensive Consignment of MEN'S, WOMEN'S, and CHILDREN'S BOOTS and SHOES, comprising Girls' Pat. Ankle and Overcrip Shoes, 4-6, 7-10, 11-1 Women's Glace Bal., pat. vamp, 3-7 Women's Glace and Tan Evening Shoes, 2-6 Men's, Women's, and Children's Sandshoes Boys' and Youths' Goloshed Bals., 7-10, 11-1 Men's Hide and Calf Goloshed Bals, 5-10 Women's Glace Button and Lace Shoes, 3-7 Ditto ditto Kid E.S., Vamp and seam to toe, 2-7 Men's, Boys', and Youths' Colonial Bals. Gents.' Kid Lay Calf Goloshed Bals., 5-10 Girls' Glace Bals. and Shoes, 7-10, 11-1 Children's and Infants' Boots in great variety,

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COOKING RANGES, STOVES, and GRATES 100 BIRD CAGES.

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IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.

TO MEDICAL MEN, ELECTRICIANS, SHOWMEN, AND OTHERS.

FOR UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION.

ON THE PREMISES, 459 GEORGE-STREET, NEAR BATHURST-STREET, ON THURSDAY NEXT, JANUARY 12, AT 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.

Under Instructions from the Proprietor of the ELECTRICAL SUPPLY CO.

THE WHOLE OF THE STOCK, PLANT, FIXTURES, AND FITTINGS, Comprising— MEDICAL CABINET by HEMMING, Cost £55 DYNAMO 30 VOLTS, 15 AMPERES, by SUTTER and CO., Ltd Electrical Pans and Batteries, Electric Advertising Clock, Electric Bells, Indicators, Pushes, Model Dynamo, and Motors, Castings for Ditto, Telephonettes COUNTER SHOW CASES, and SUNDRIES, &c. BENNIA SCREW CUTTING LATHE, 3ft. 6in. bed, 5in. centres with gap, complete with chucks, tools, and all appliances, cost £75. Also, the BEAUTIFUL ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING MODEL, THE ELECTRIC MOUNTAIN, representing Electrical Mining, Hauling, Pumping, Railways, and Light House, in perfect working order.

☞ THE ABOVE MODEL would make splendid window advertisement, and may be seen working any day prior to sale.

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WITHOUT RESERVE.

TO THE WHOLESALE AND RETAIL FURNISHING TRADE, COUNTRY BUYERS, AND OTHERS.

FOR UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION, AT THE ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET, on FRIDAY NEXT, January 13, AT 11 O'CLOCK SHARP, on account and risk of the consignors.

JUST LANDED EX S.S. AUSTRALIAN, SPECIALLY SELECTED SHIPMENT of 76 ORIGINAL PACKAGES of BLEACHED CANE and RATTAN FURNITURE, in THE VERY NEWEST DESIGNS, comprising DRAWING-ROOM SUITES and COUCHES DRAWING-ROOM OCCASIONAL and RECEPTION CHAIRS ARM CHAIRS, VERANDAH CHAIRS LOUNGES and LOUNGE CHAIRS CHILDREN'S CHAIRS, &c. Also, 60 SUPERIOR WALNUT OVERMANTELS.

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THURSDAY, 19th JANUARY, at 11 a.m.

MOST IMPORTANT AUCTIONEER'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

To Ladies and Gentlemen Furnishing, Collectors of Art Treasures and Curios, and the general public.

ATTRACTIVE UNRESERVED SALE by Public Auction, at ELLERSLIE, DARLINGHURST-ROAD, the residence of the Hon. J. H. WANT, M.L.C., ATTORNEY-GENERAL, of the whole of his SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and Costly Works of Art, including SUBSTANTIAL DINING-ROOM FURNITURE, in a good state of preservation. VALUABLE DOME BRONZE TIMEPIECE, made by Farmer and Roberts PAIR VERY FINE OIL PAINTINGS, representing "Tourmino" and the Island of Rocida and Cape Monday, Lake Te Waipo, on Island of rocida RARE and ANTIQUE SHIELD, with raised Bronzed Rosette Decorations, secured with considerable difficulty from a Chief of a Hill Tribe in India. PAIR VERY BEAUTIFUL WALL PANELS on Fine Enamel, with Chinese Pheasants in Ivory and Mother-of-Pearl Raised Floral Decorations REMARKABLY HANDSOME FONT TABLE, consisting of Exquisitely Enamelled Chinese Panels, supported by a Grotesque and Very Rare Old Root Stand ANTIQUE CARVED JAPANESE SCREEN, the Centre Panels being of the Finest Enamelled Work on Wood, Embossed with Raised Ivory Figures ELEGANT MAHOGANY WALL BRACKET, with hand-worked centre panel in wood, EXACT REPRODUCTION OF THE CELEBRATED PAINTING by Raphael, now in the Louvre, Paris, "Joan of the Pitti and Uffizi Galleries, Florence, by L. Bardi, a well-known artist of Rome THE ABOVE VALUABLE PAINTINGS were personally selected by Mr. Want during his visit to Italy in 1893. THE CURIOS and EASTERN ART TREASURES were obtained during Mr. Want's travels in Japan and China.

UPRIGHT GRAND WALNUT PIANO, in excellent order, by the celebrated maker Carl Romisch, only recently purchased from Nicholson and Son LUXURIOUS CHESTERFIELD CREPONNE SETTEE Reclining Easy Chairs HEAVY INDIAN CARPET SQUARE Choice Pair Hangings MAHOGANY FULL-SIZED BILLIARD TABLE, by Alcock and Co., Cues, Balls, and Appurtenances, in thorough order LONG BILLIARD SETTEE, in Morocco, and Sundries.

WALTER BRADLEY and CO. have been favoured with instructions from Hon. J. H. Want, M.L.C., Attorney General, to conduct the above sale of his Superior Household Furniture and Works of Art, at his residence, ELLERSLIE, DARLINGHURST-ROAD, on THURSDAY, 19th JANUARY, at 11 a.m.

Descriptive Book Catalogues now being compiled. Applications for same will have prompt attention.

The above sale is being held in consequence of Mr. Want's departure for Suez.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—Mr. Want's well-known Library of Books will be sold at the Auction Rooms a few days after the sale at Ellerslie.

BURSTVILLE. THIS DAY, SATURDAY, at 2.30, AT TAUNTON-ROAD, BURSTVILLE. Under Instructions from Mr. A. JACKSON. SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, including PIANO, R. SUITE, 9 pieces, WALNUT SIDEBOARD and EXT. TABLE Library of the latest Standard Works—History, Fiction, Classical, Scientific, &c. &c. A MAGNIFICENT LOT, and worthy attention dealers.

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Numerous references kindly permitted to clients for whom we have had the honour of acting as Auctioneers and Agents, and who have expressed their satisfaction with our services on their behalf.

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H. KELLETT will sell by auction, on the above premises, on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, 10th and 11th January. THE ABOVE STOCK, every line of which must be cleared without Reserve. TUESDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1899, at 11 a.m. BY AUCTION. At Railway Sale Rooms, Toowoomba. By Order of the Mortgagees.

THE ST. HELENS ESTATE, DARLING DOWNS, QUEENSLAND, comprising 16,110 ACRES FREEHOLD LAND.

It is situated about 6 miles from the PITTSWORTH RAILWAY STATION, and adjoining the famous Yandilla, Cecil Plains, and Mount Russell Estates, being the VERY PICK OF THE DARLING DOWNS PATENTED LANDS, and of the FAMOUS AGRICULTURAL SOIL. It is about 30 miles from Toowoomba, and 130 miles from Brisbane by rail.

SCHOLEFIELD and CO. (in conjunction with the Union Mortgage and Agency Company of Australia, Limited) have received instructions from the Mortgagees to sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Rooms, Toowoomba, on TUESDAY, JANUARY 24th, at 2 p.m., The above Valuable Property, Stock, and Plant.

This valuable Property offers many advantages to the investor or speculator. The Soil is a rich Brown to Black Loam, it is heavily grassed with nutritious grasses, and will carry and fatten two sheep to the acre; at the same time there is heavy timber on it that could not be ploughed up, and grow splendid crops of wheat, barley, or lucerne, which has been proved to a limited extent, the wheat having returned over 40 bushels per acre, so that in the future for cutting up and close settlement, with its proximity to the Railway, and having a good average rainfall is fully assured. Being chiefly open plain land, the expense of clearing is avoided. It is permanently watered by reservoirs (7) and wells (8), with windmills, tanks, and troughing, and water can be obtained by sinking anywhere.

IMPROVEMENTS.—The Estate is securely fenced with good sheep-proof fencing, and divided into 21 paddocks. There is a good Residence, Woolshed, Overseer's Cottage, 7 Outstations, Drafting Yards, Mustering Yards, Stock-yards, and every convenience for the profitable working of the property.

The STOCK at present consists of 17,115 wetfbred Merino Sheep, 200 Cattle, and 37 working Horses.

The LAND will be offered in one lot first, the Vendors reserving time for the subsequent removal or sale of the Stock and Plant.

For plans or further particulars, apply to SCHOLEFIELD and CO., Auctioneers, Toowoomba; Or, THE UNION MORTGAGE and AGENCY COMPANY, Limited, Brisbane, Sydney, or Melbourne.

TO BREWERS, MALISTERS, CAPITALISTS, SPECULATORS, and anyone in search of a good investment.

To be Sold by Public Auction at Warwick, Queensland, on THURSDAY, the 26th of January, 1899, at 12 o'clock. THE WARWICK MALT HOUSE and MACHINERY, together with ONE ACRE of LAND on which it is erected.

Owing to the death of the former proprietor and the inability of the Executors to carry on, this valuable property is now being offered.

Warwick is the centre of the best barley-growing district in the colony, and sufficient barley is grown to fully supply requirements.

The Malthouse has been recently erected by the late J. C. Sims at a cost of £2200, and is complete in every respect. The dimensions are:—Germinating floor, 100 x 40; Mah Loft, 100 x 40; Steeping Cisterns, 27 x 12 x 3ft. 6in.; Kiln, with Herman's patent wire floor, 30 x 25; Skillion, 100 x 10; and Furnace Room, 30 x 16. Capacity is estimated at 20,000 bushels per annum. Malt is protected by an import duty of 4s 6d. The market in Queensland is practically unlimited; as a remunerative business it has no equal. The sale of the Property offers a chance not to be overlooked of a first-class paying investment. There is also a good opening for a Brewery in the district.

M'DOUGALL and CO. have received instructions from the Executors of the late J. C. Sims to sell as above at their Rooms, at Warwick, on THURSDAY, 12th of January, 1899, at 12 o'clock.

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PADDINGTON, close to Glenmore-road and Gipps street, just off Oxford-street, accessible to the city either by tram or omnibus. An Extensive Block of LAND having 167ft. 9in. frontage to PROSPECT-STREET with a depth of 250ft. 5in. on one side along a lane and 187ft. 1in. on the other, extending to a point at rear, on which is erected of stone, brick, and W.B. a Cottage, No. 13 Prospect-street. By order of the Trustees of the Estate late Mrs. J. JONES. Auction Sale at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 13th January, at 11 o'clock. RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, Solicitors to the Estate. (3504)

IN THE ESTATE OF JOHN BOOTH, deceased. CHOICE POSITIONS at BALMAIN.

1. A Water-frontage Block, 43ft. to Fitzroy-avenue and 115ft. to Punch-st., extending to the deep waters of Iron Cove.
2. Builder's Block, having 90ft. to Westley-street, depth 141ft., extending to Creek-st., a few yards west of Palmer-st.
3. Allotment, having 22ft. to Little-street, opposite Suttonstreet, depth 90ft. NUMBER, BRISBANE WATER. Portion No. 58, Parish of Kincumber, 42 acres 1 rood 8 perches. Auction Sale at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 13th January, at 11 o'clock. RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (3530)

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE. Lot 1.—MILLER'S POINT, CITY, DWELLING, No. 19 CLYDE-STREET, of brick, verandah and balcony at rear, and containing 3 rooms and kitchen. The land has 25ft. frontage, by 39ft. 5in. Lot 2.—REDFERN, Weatherboard COTTAGE on east side of WOODBURN-STREET, off Cleveland-street, a few feet west of REGENT-STREET, verandah front and rear, and containing 3 rooms and kitchen, shed, sewer connections, rent 8s per week. Land 28ft. x 49ft. RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 13th January, at 11.30 a.m. ARTHUR BURNS, Esq., 51 Elizabeth-street, is Solicitor of Mortgagee. (3392)

THEATRE ROYAL HOTEL, at the corner of LIVERPOOL and YURONG STREETS, CITY, let at £130 per annum net. RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by auction at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 13th January, at 11.30 a.m., Corner Allotment, about frontages of 26ft. to Liverpool-street and 50ft. to Yurong-street. On it is erected the THEATRE ROYAL Hotel of brick, fronts cemented and painted, stone foundation, balcony in front, and containing bar, cellar, 10 rooms, and kitchen. ** This Hotel is in good order, and at the corner of two well-known streets, close to Oxford-street and Hyde Park. (3501)

BELLEVUE ESTATE, WOOLLAHRA. Splendid Building SITE, comprising Lot 10, section 1, having 120ft. frontage to VICTORIA-ROAD, close to the corner of Bellevue-road, with a depth of 150ft. on one side and 146ft. on the other, running to a point at the rear. Plan on view at the Rooms. AUCTION SALE at the ROOMS, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 13th JANUARY, at 11 o'clock. RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (3506)

LEWISHAM.—All the interest (if any) of C. W. KNIGHT of an undivided moiety in and to lot 10, of Sec. 1, VIRGINIA WATER ESTATE, having 60ft. frontage to LENNOX-ROAD (between Railroad and Water streets), depth 130ft. Plan on view. Torms. AUCTION SALE at our Rooms, FRIDAY, 13th JANUARY, at 11.30 a.m. RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (3509)

BALMAIN.—ALLOTMENT, comprising Nos. 7 and 8 of Barnes' Subdivision, of portion No. 16, Balmain Estate, having 60ft. to Cecil-street, depth 105ft., along a lane. By order of the Balmain Co-operative Cold Storage Company. AUCTION SALE at the ROOMS on FRIDAY, 13th January, at 11 o'clock. RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (3507)

BURWOOD, opposite Park. COTTAGE RESIDENCE, fronting BURWOOD-ROAD, at the corner of MERYLA-STREET. It is of weatherboards, has verandah, hall, 6 rooms, kitchen, and washhouse. The LAND has 174ft. frontages to BURWOOD-ROAD and 250ft. to MERYLA-STREET. RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 20th JANUARY, at 11.30 a.m. The above, full particulars of which will appear in future advertisement. TORRENS TITLE. (3494)

CITY FREEHOLD, By Order of Trustees. BLOCK of LAND, on part of which is HOUSE No. 19 VALENTINE-STREET, off GEORGE-STREET SOUTH, nearly opposite Christ Church. RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 20th JANUARY, at 11.30 a.m. The above, full particulars of which will be published in future advertisement. (3468)

BY ORDER OF THE PERPETUAL TRUSTEE COY., Limited, as ADMINISTRATORS of the Estate of Major ISAAC RHODES COOPER, Deceased. MANLY BEACH PROPERTIES.

Lot 1. COTTAGE, WENTWORTH-STREET, in the occupation of Mr. D. F. Thornbury. The Land has 44ft. frontage, by a depth of 150ft. Lot 2. CORNER BLOCK of LAND, Allotments 37 and 38 of sec. 6, Gilbert Smith's

Funerals.

RILEY.—The Funeral of the late Miss MARGARET A. RILEY will move from 157 Woolloomooloo-street, THIS SATURDAY, at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis.
Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON,
Undertakers, 7 Elizabeth-street.
Tel., 675.

DEVLIN.—The Funeral of the late S. ROSETTA DEVLIN will leave St. Vincent's Hospital TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for Rookwood R. C. Cemetery.
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RYAN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. PATRICK RYAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly loved DAUGHTER, Margaret Marie, aged 8 years; to move from their residence, No. 46 Little Wells-street, Redfern, THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for R. C. Cemetery, Rookwood, via Mortuary Station.
J. CROCKETT and SON, Undertakers,
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M'KENZIE.—The Funeral of the late Mr. JOHN M'KENZIE, late of the Richmond River, will leave the Prince Alfred Hospital at 3 p.m. THIS DAY, Saturday, for the Presbyterian Cemetery, Rookwood. JAMES WEEKS, Undertaker and Embalmer, Newtown. Tel., No. 8 N.

BUTTERWORTH.—The Funeral of the late EDITH ANNIE BUTTERWORTH will leave her parents' residence, Wentworth-road, Burwood, THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 2.15, for Necropolis, via Strathfield Station. T. CRISFORD, Undertaker, Burwood-road, Burwood. Telephone, 27B.

HIGGINS.—The Friends of Mrs. SARAH HIGGINS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND, John, which will move from his late residence, 17 Little Walker-street, North Sydney, TO-MORROW (Sunday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter-past 4 o'clock, for the Devonshire-street Cemetery.
WOOD and COMPANY, Funeral Directors,
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THE Friends of the late C. E. CHAPMAN are kindly invited to attend his Funeral, which will move from his late residence, 483 Elizabeth-street South, on SUNDAY AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for Necropolis.

CHAPMAN.—The Friends of the late EDWARD CHAPMAN are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, 483 Elizabeth-street, on SUNDAY AFTERNOON, 1.45, for Necropolis.
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THE Members of Ladies' Orange Lodge, Daughters of Derry, No. 301, and Institution are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late Brother, GEORGE C. CHAPMAN; to move from his residence, 483 Elizabeth-street, Surry Hills, TO-MORROW (Sunday) AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for Necropolis. HENRY HART and SONS, Undertakers, 186 Devonshire-street, city; railway stations, Ashfield, Burwood. Telephones—1003 city, 6 Ashfield, 143 Burwood.

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